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## LONGSHOREMEN THREATENED WITH LOCKOUT

### Employers Say Men Must Work Unfair Cargo

LONGSHOREMEN ORDERED  
TO SCAB OR FACE  
LOCK-OUT  
Ultimatum Served  
SEEN AS MANEUVER TO  
SMASH MILITANT  
LEADERSHIP

**BULLETIN**  
SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—San Francisco Longshoremen today answered the union smashing attempts of the shipowners by consistently refusing to penetrate a mass picket line thrown around the scab-loaded Point Clear at Pier 54.  
As fast as longshore gangs are dispatched to the Point Clear they refuse to go through the line. They return to the dispatching hall and are sent to work at other docks.  
Shipowners, up until a late hour today, however, were refusing to hire at any dock longshore gangs that previously had declined to work the scab ship, Point Clear.

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—Fast on the heels of a threat by Ryan and Lewis, reactionary Longshore officials, to revoke the charter of the San Francisco local of the I.L.A. because of its rank and file leadership, come late yesterday an ultimatum from the shipowners to the S. F. Longshoremen.

The S. F. Longshoremen have been ordered to unload the Point Clear or face a lock-out. The ultimatum, issued by that of the Waterfront Employers, called upon Lewis to remove the militant leaders of the Longshoremen and according to the S. F. Chronicle of June 28, the move is "a tactical maneuver" designed to drive radicals out of possible positions in labor rank.

\* Scab Cargo.

The ultimatum further says the employers have "no quarrel with organized labor," but throughout there is no mention of the fact that the Point Clear was loaded in Vancouver by scabs (the crew was shanghaied to Vancouver in order to get scab cargo).  
Meanwhile it is reported that Lewis has issued a coastwide ultimatum calling for a vote as to "whether the letter and spirit of the agreement are to be kept." It is further authoritatively reported that Lewis will revoke the charter of any local which turns down the ultimatum.

Many waterfront workers have taken this to mean that Lewis is calling upon Longshoremen to scab on their striking brothers in Vancouver—or else.  
The delivery of an ultimatum (Continued on Page 4, Col. 7)

### Protest Terror in Eureka on June 30

LUMBER STRIKER TO TALK  
AT I.L.D. MEETING IN  
REDMEN'S HALL

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—A protest meeting against police brutality in Eureka during the lumber strike now going on, which has already resulted in the death of two strikers, has been called for Sunday, June 30, at Redmen's Hall, 3653 Sixteenth street, under the auspices of the International Labor Defense.

A strike from Eureka will speak on the situation there. Other speakers include Elaine Black, of the I.L.D., who is now in Eureka arranging defense for imprisoned strikers, Paul Legere, of the Democratic City Council, a speaker from the International Longshoremen's Association, and other trade unionists.

### POLICE DRIVE ON SAN PEDRO RANK AND FILE

SAN PEDRO SHIPOWNERS  
AND POLICE PLAN TO  
ATTACK UNIONS

Red Scare Is Raised  
DEATH OF RILEY FOLLOWS  
CAMPAIGN OF TERROR  
BY GANGSTERS

SAN PEDRO, June 27.—The death of John Riley, member of the late Friedl's "beat squad" which for months has roamed the streets of San Pedro terrorizing militant members of the Firemen's Union, may be the signal for an attack by shipowners and police upon all unions in view of making Pedro an open shop town.

Riley died early this week of injuries received when he and nine other members of the Friedl gang raided a home where about forty members of the Firemen's Union were meeting. Riley, and his thugs were repulsed. Hendricks, Bob North and Benley were with Riley at the time. All are members of the reaction-ary clique.

\* Was Provocateur.  
A capitalist newspaper report says a sub-machine gun was found in Friedl's home during the search following his death at the hands of San Pedro police. Other reports say the rifle found in Friedl's place was the gun fired at tankers here during the recent strike. This would indicate that Friedl had been active as a provocateur.  
There are reports that the police are planning to clamp down on virtual martial law, prohibiting meetings and the functioning of unions. San Pedro and Los Angeles papers are whipping up the red scare and report the police are searching the city "for 50 known Communists."

Friedl was allied with the Peterson-Norman-Landgren gang which attempted to steal power away from the rank and file at the formation of the Maritime Federation.

### SAILORS VOTE CONFIDENCE IN BRIDGES; CALL JOINT ISU MEET

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Measures; Demand Scharrenberg Be  
Denied Appeal on Expulsion

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A step toward closer rank and

### Ross, Gallagher, Shoemaker Speak At July 2 Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Who benefited under the NRA?  
What does the new skeleton NRA mean?  
Will Roosevelt sink the rich?  
What is the next step for the workers to take?  
These and other questions will be answered by Lawrence Ross at a mass meeting to be held at the new headquarters at 121 Haight street on July 2nd.  
Other speakers will be Leo Gallagher, who will talk on the Supreme Court's Challenge to Labor, and John Shoemaker of the I.L.A., who will talk on Struggles on the Waterfront under the NRA. All workers are urged to attend.

### B. C. DOCKMEN PREPARED FOR BITTER FIGHT

VANCOUVER BIG BUSINESS  
LAUNCHES VIGILANTE  
TERROR CAMPAIGN

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 27.—Waterfront workers here are preparing for one of the bitterest struggles in the history of Canadian labor in an attempt to win better working conditions and a decent standard of living.

Tuesday, June 18, when the Shipping Federation and Mayor McGeer launched their initial attack on picket lines already has become known as "Bloody Tuesday."

The vicious attack has served only to tighten the ranks of the striking dock workers and has brought widespread support from the entire labor movement here.  
In spite of unbridled police terror, picket lines still patrol all docks and little scab labor is reported.

Prominent in the ranks of the shipper-owned vigilante gangs are the thugs known as the "Citizens' League of British Columbia" who represent a united front of big business.

The strike began June 14 when dockers broke a previous agreement with the waterfront union. On Tuesday, June 18, police attacked pickets and a three-hour pitched battle ensued. Mounted and foot police raced back and forth, clubbing men and women and attacking with clubs, tear gas and sawed-off shotguns.

More than 75 workers were injured, many seriously, and at least two with gunshot wounds.

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### SOMETHING MUST BE DONE ABOUT HEARST

Much has been said revealing the viciousness of William Randolph Hearst. Endless volumes could be written on his corruption. But the problem is no longer to convince the public of his unscrupulousness—a fact so manifestly plain that it needs no further elucidation—but to convince them that something must be done about it.

The man is a real power. There is no sense in denying that. He wields the power of the press and the power of money. And the danger is not that he himself is a solitary menace, unique and complete. The truth is that he is in league with the rest of the major capitalists of the country who control the government as readily as their own households. Indeed, they own the whole country as their personal property and the rest of the population has the status of domestic servants. Hearst's newspapers are not the word of a single oppressor. They are the voice of Wall Street itself, of which Hearst is an integral part.

To take the attitude of, "Let the man rave. I don't believe him and nobody else believes him. And we're not going to be fooled by his tricks," is to play right into his hand.

When you're worried about how to pay the rent, think of HEARST. When your wages are cut, or you lose your job, think of HEARST. When you're broke, when you're hungry, when you need medical attention and can't afford it, think of HEARST. When you see little kids going to school in ragged clothes, think of HEARST. When you think of the depression, think of HEARST.

For these are the real, concrete results of that man's power and of the ruling class greed he represents. A nation that tolerates the activities of such a man is a nation degenerated to a low point of disgrace. There is not a working man or woman in America who does not feel the results of the Hearst press in the immediate difficulties of their lives.

It is far beyond the point where you can verbally condemn the Hearst papers and let it go at that. Their continued publication is costing you too much in personal suffering. You've got to do something about it.

You've got to fight the Hearst press, not as an enemy combatant (Continued on Page 5, Col. 1)

### COUNCIL OF FED. SUPPORTS COAST LUMBER STRIKE

AMMUNITION SHIPMENT TO  
VANCOUVER BY QUINN  
IS PROTESTED

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Resolutions relating to the two major struggles now being waged on the Pacific Coast—the great lumber strike and the strike of the Vancouver waterfront workers—were passed at the regular session of the newly-formed local District Council of the Maritime Federation, meeting here June 24.

The Council voted to send a resolution to Mayor Rossi of San Francisco protesting the vicious action of Police Chief Quinn in sending ammunition to the police of Vancouver to be used in shooting down the striking waterfront workers there. Copies of the protest will be sent to Quinn and to the secretary of the Longshore and Water Transport Workers of Canada.

\* Hit Fakers.  
To counteract the successful maneuvers of the Eureka Longshore officials and Scabby Peterson in forcing the Eureka workers to handle scab lumber, the council took steps to remind the Eureka officials of the Federation resolution and that of the I.L.A. District Convention to support the lumber strikers. The communication also will include the request that the Eureka longshoremen refuse to load scab cargo.

It is generally understood that any lumber which may be held in San Francisco will be declared "hot."  
\* Officers Nominated.  
In addition, the Council voted to continue indefinitely the Standard Oil boycott and to change the name of the Federation paper from "Voice of the Federation" to "The Maritime Federationist".  
The following were nominated for permanent officers: Harry Bridges, (I.L.A.) president; Ralstead, (MMP), and O'Grady, (MMP) vice-president; Rathborne, (ARTA), Schmidt, (I.L.A.), Ianfaron, (Ship Caulkers), Hunen, (MEFOW), secretary-treasurer.

A motion by a Marine Firemen's delegate to adjourn in honor of Friedl, came rather late. It was received with little enthusiasm, in view of Friedl's reactionary record.

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

### Machinists Boo Scharrenberg's Anti-Red Note

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Wednesday night was anti-Scharrenberg night at the regular meeting here of Machinists' Local 68. Scharrenberg's vicious anti-Communist letter was read and completely smothered amid a storm of cat-calls and boos.  
The membership, by a two-to-one vote elected Charlie Occko as delegate to the Central Labor Council. Occko was opposed by W. Henneberry, a friend of the reactionaries. The vote was 66 to 30 in favor of Occko.

### OTHER UNIONS VOTE SUPPORT ON JULY 5TH

DOCK PICKETING, PARADE  
ARE SCHEDULED ON  
DAY'S PROGRAM

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—The Machinists, Local 68, and the Ornamental Iron Workers Union today answered the employers' attacks on organized labor by pledging participation in the July 5th march and demonstration.

The arrangements and preparations for July 5 are well under way. A leaflet, calling for complete stoppage of work by members of maritime unions on the Pacific Coast and pointing out that the demonstration is to show the opposition of organized labor to the employers' violence in attempting to break strikes, has been issued by the Joint Maritime Arrangements Committee.

The program for July 5 includes: picketing of docks from 4 to 9:30 a. m.; a parade at 10 a. m. up Market street from the Embarcadero to Marshall Green. The various organizations participating will march under their own banners. Two bands will lead the parade.

Included in the Longshoremen's section of the parade will be the ladies' auxiliary and a children's section. Two delegations will leave Marshall Green, one to the grave of Howard Sperry, the other to the grave of Nick Bourdoise.

The commemoration will continue at Dreamland Auditorium at 8 p. m. There movies of the 1934 strike will be shown and speakers from the Maritime unions and other organizations will be heard. Among the speakers will be Harry Bridges, Henry Schmidt and Ben Levere.

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### LOS ANGELES RELIEF MOGULS OPEN WAR ON JOBLESS UNION

Glendale Police Called to Attack Large  
Grievance Committee Seeking Better  
Conditions for S.E.R.A. Workers

LOS ANGELES, June 27.—In an effort to smash the Public Works and Unemployed League which has been active in winning more food and better conditions for workers on relief, the Los Angeles Citizens' Relief Committee has ordered a red-baiting "investigation" of the League, its members and leaders.

The action followed an attack by police on a grievance committee of fifty workers at the Glendale Area Relief Office Monday after the stubborn refusal of Miss Wayne Brace, director, to settle a growing list of grievances.

The enlarged committee of fifty was formed after Miss Brace consistently had refused to adjust grievances presented by a committee of six over a period of six weeks. When the large group demanded action Miss Brace stalled for two hours, and then attempted to leave for "lunch."

She was told by the committee spokesman that she must remain "until you perform your duty and see to it that we get what is coming to us." Mr. Smith, area director was called and proceeded to expose himself to the extent of calling police when he

### Strikers Rally Against Terror In Three States

GUARDSMEN STOP OPEN  
AIR MEETING IN  
TACOMA

Oregon Troops Ready

STATE TROOPS, FEDERAL  
MEDIATORS CALLED TO  
BREAK LUMBER STRIKE

TACOMA, Wash., June 27.—Without declaring martial law the National Guard is refusing civil rights to all workers in Tacoma. They have prevented strikers from selling tags on the streets to raise relief funds.

Guardsmen broke up a united front open air demonstration here Wednesday the 26th which had been called by the Unemployed council. Hundreds of workers gathered at the meet, which had been endorsed by the rank and file of the Sawmill and Timber Workers, the Shingle Weavers, Broomworkers, Brewery Workers, Lathers, Pulp and Sulphite Workers, the Longshoremen, American League Against War and Fascism, International Labor Defense and the Communist Party.

\* Troop Violence.

Several truckloads of troops drove up, and when the spokesman got up to speak the troops unloaded and forcibly dispersed the crowd, threatening violence if their demands were not complied with. The workers retired in good order to an indoor meet where speakers from the various organizations criticized Governor Martin for calling the National Guard.

A delegation visited the city, county and state officials, and the chamber of commerce demanding removal of the troops and disbanding of the fascist "Committee of 200."

A delegation of 25 workers demanded of relief officials that relief be given to strikers, and also protested Roosevelt's work program.

\* Longshoremen Help.  
With the longshoremen here refusing to work while the bosses' National Guard carries on a reign of terror to break the strike of the lumber workers, the rank and file workers of Tacoma are considering a general strike to

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THOUSANDS JOIN MARCH  
AT FUNERALS OF TWO  
EUREKA PICKETS

Court Frame-Up

PEDRO PETE SELLS OUT  
LONGSHOREMEN IN  
HUMBOLDT AREA

EUREKA, Calif., June 27.—Three thousand workers, men and women, members of the labor unions of Humboldt County attended the funeral of William Kaarte, murdered lumber strike picket. In mass formation, led by J. B. Williford, President of Sawmill and Timber Workers Union No. 2563, of which Kaarte was a member, the unions marched from the Labor Temple in the funeral parade, through the streets of Eureka to the cemetery.

At 1:30 P.M., today, funeral services for Harold Edmund, lumber striker, who died Monday night from gunshot wounds received during the same police attack in which Kaarte was killed, were conducted at Union Labor Temple, and a second mass march of Humboldt County workers conducted his body to the cemetery.

A memorial meet for the two murdered pickets has been scheduled for Friday evening.

\* I.L.D. On Job.

At the request of the STWU local the International Labor Defense is defending the arrested workers. Elaine Black of the I.L.D. attended a meeting of the local Wednesday night and was given the floor to speak. The workers applauded thunderously when she read a telegram from the I.L.D. offices in San Francisco, pledging solidarity and unstinted help to help them win their struggle.

Funds for leaflets, defense work and relief are badly needed in Eureka. The STWU local has practically drained its treasury during the course of the strike.

There was no court proceedings today against the arrested pickets on account of the Edmund funeral. First preliminary hearings began Wednesday, June 26, when 9 workers were brought up on rioting charges and one other on a "loiter" charge of assault.

\* Frame-up Clear.

Leo Gallagher, famous I.L.D. attorney appeared for the workers. (Continued on Page 4, Col. 5.)

### JURY IGNORES INSTRUCTIONS OF S. F. JUDGE

CHARGES OF "RESISTING  
ARREST" DISMISSED  
FOR DELLA DALE

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Della Dale and five other workers, arrested March 25 at a street meeting at Ellis and Fillmore streets, were tried in Municipal Judge Lazarus' Court yesterday. The jury disagreed, 9 to 3 for conviction, and was dismissed.

Judge Lazarus had instructed the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty, stating that the "crime of refusing to move on" always applied—"except in case of a public meeting," and the street meeting on that night, according to his honor, could not be called that.

Charges of resisting arrest against Della Dale, 54-year-old worker who was frightfully beaten in the patrol wagon and in the Ellis-Polk street station by police, were dismissed.

In addition, all charges against three of the workers were dismissed. Date for a new trial, or dismissal of the case against the remaining three, should come in the near future.



## S. F. JOBLESS UNIONS JOIN FORCES TO WIN LIGHT, GAS BILL CASE AGAINST P. G. & E.

**Four Locals Form Joint Committee; SERA Officials Are Made to Go to Bat for Exploited Family**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—The Public Works and Unemployed Union went places here last week. What a family of eight that had been deprived of both gas and light service for six days failed to achieve single-handedly, was accomplished by the union through the joint strength of its four locals. Their committee forced the immediate restoration of the family's gas and light, but more important, the route by which they gained that end served to clear up the underlying issues and establish precedents of great value to all relief workers.

The gas and light shut-off involved a bottom a disputed three-year old back bill. Both Sinclair, a funder, in the Complaint Department of the local SERA offices at 450 Mission Street, and Hodges of the SERA accounting division in the P. G. & E.'s main office, took the stand that whether or not the current bill was paid, the family would have no further gas and light service unless they agreed to pay off the old bill out of their weekly subsistence budget.

Knowing that the Federal government has stipulated that relief budgets are to cover only current accounts, the Public Works & Unemployed Union resolved to carry this case higher up and demand that it be settled once and for all. They went to the offices of the State Director of the SERA at 49 1/2 Street, where they submitted the following proposition:

**MEDICAL HELP DENIED 10,000 ARIZ. JOBLESS**

**3 COUNTY DOCTORS LEFT TO TREAT 29,000 UNEMPLOYED**

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 24.—(UP)—A crisis in medical aid, involving 10,000 persons faces Maricopa county, unless necessary funds are made available by July First.

The county claims to be unable to care for patients because of limited funds and a state law which defines who may receive county aid, while the FERA has no arrangement to bear the burden.

Six assistant county physicians have quit their offices because they were unable to perform the work expected of them on the curtailed relief budget.

With more than 29,000 persons needing medical relief, only nine doctors were available for the work. The resignation of six leaves only three. One physician is required to treat all "indigent" sick living between Phoenix and the western boundary of Maricopa county. This huge area includes the towns of Buckeye, Tolleson, Gila Bend, Coldwater and Liberty.

The Board of Supervisors is planning to reduce the county physician's office to a skeleton crew, caring for 6000 or less unemployed. Additional plans provide to have the FERA give medical aid to about 15,000 through its county welfare board. This would leave at least 10,000 unemployed without any medical care in the county.

There have been many parades through the streets of San Francisco, but few as significant as that of the joint SERA and Public Works & Unemployed Union committee to the offices of the PG&E. The question of back bills has long aggravated relief workers where the PG&E is concerned, and the two bodies who really constituted the main parties to that dispute—the PG&E and the Relief Administrators—have been a long time meeting up with it. A strong organization of the workers was required in this connection, and the PWUC did a good job as master of ceremonies.

The meeting came off in the office of Mr. Murphy, one of the high PG&E officials. Mr. Murphy, in the presence of the Union committee and the SERA representative, Mr. Glen Johnson, put his company on record as being totally opposed to any such extortional methods as have been practiced by the lower order of Jacks, Hodges, and Sinclairs. He put the seal of his own commitment by ordering the gas and light service restored to the client in the case immediately. Quick action was supplied by having Johnson, the SERA agent, present to guarantee the family's current bill, which had not been paid due to the remissness of the SERA's Accounting Department in sending out checks equal to the full amount of the monthly bill.

**A Precedent.**

All SERA and unemployed workers should hold to the precedent established in the foregoing case. Back bills should go to cover only daily necessities. Any attempt to the part of the PG&E officials and collectors to force payments on old bills out of current budgets should be reported at once to the grievance committee of the Public Works and Unemployed Union. Clients should also check SERA social workers who lead them to the PG&E's former practice. The Sinclair's should be ousted. Moreover, all unemployed and SERA workers should at this time join the PWUC to demand the cancellation of all bills accumulated through five years of inefficient and inadequate relief.

**URGENT!**

The WESTERN WORKER needs some comrades to give help in a special circulation campaign. If you can assist in addressing, wrapping, mailing or typing (as much time as you can give).

Report at 37 Grove street, San Francisco.

HELP YOUR PAPER GROW

## San Diego Correction

In the issue dated Monday, June 24, the Western Worker carried a story concerning the San Diego Federated Trades Council and action it had presumably taken on the ousting of Paul Scharrenberg. The sub-head on the story stated, "San Diego Federated Trades Approve Expulsion,"—which was incorrect.

Instead of approving the expulsion on the San Diego Council adopted a "hands off" policy. The Los Angeles Central Labor Council adopted a resolution urging the State Federation to keep Scharrenberg until the International of the International Seamen's Union had passed on his expulsion. A copy of this resolution was sent to San Diego, but the Federated Trades tabled it after many delegates pointed out it was improper for the San Diego unions to interfere with the business of the seamen's union.

## "Jails Belong to Us," Copper Tells Committee

**FIVE WORKERS IN LINCOLN HEIGHTS JAIL STILL DENIED RIGHTS**

LOS ANGELES, June 27.—"This country and these jails belong to us," stated Capt. Shand of Lincoln Heights jail, "We'll run them to suit ourselves. Now get out of my office!"

But he failed to frighten the delegation of 25 persons, come to protest the discrimination and inhuman treatment received by the political prisoners in Capt. Shand's jail.

**The Captain Lies.**

In response to demands by the committee that he allow the five political prisoners to have money sent them by the International Labor Defense and that he see they get decent medical care, Shand said, "I keep the prisoners clean and well fed. Also they get medical attention." He got excited: "It isn't my fault they're in here. Why did they jump on the backs of my police and beat them up?" he yelled.

None of the prisoners are well fed, nor do they get proper medical attention. James McShann has never been allowed to have the belt that was bought for him by the I.L.D. under instructions from a reputable doctor. He received serious injuries from beat-

## ROTTEN CONDITIONS DISGUST MATANUSKA COLONY SETTLERS

**Face Winter With Two of Two Hundred Houses Needed Under Construction**

PALMER, Alaska, June 27.—Conditions in Matanuska Valley are so bad that the thousand settlers here from drought regions of the Middle West were obliged to send a telegram to Congress complaining of the situation.

Typical of hardships faced is the housing situation. Some 200 families live in about ten tent colonies scattered throughout the valley. Although winter is not far off, at present only two cabins are under construction. Some of the colonists are cutting logs by themselves to build cabins, but with little hope of getting them ready by fall.

**Horses Without Wagons.**

The colonists are served by a single-track railroad with one train a week coming from the coast. The supplies needed by the colonists are not available. 120 horses were sent, but no wagons to go with them. The colonists are living on food sold them on credit. If their cabins are ever built, they will be faced with the problem of paying off a \$3000 mortgage on the produce of 40 acres in Arctic regions, when it is scarcely possible to get by on a much larger farm in more favored regions of the United States.

The method being used to suppress discontent is to blame it on a small bunch of alleged radicals. But the real cause is the lack of houses, wells, roads, machinery, and the incompetent management of a hopeless project. Men, women, and children are trying to exist in a mosquito-ridden district which has never yet been successfully farmed, under the management of politicians interested only in what they can get out of it.

**Soft Jobs.**

In spite of the large expenditures here, which the colonists will be expected to meet, the workers are receiving almost nothing for what they are doing. The transient workers who are expected to build houses, roads, schools, hospitals, dig wells, etc., will get \$2 a week after they return to the United States. And when they get back they can expect to return to the transient camps from which they came. But in the meantime there are soft jobs for any number of bosses and accountants to unravel the tangled mess the Matanuska settlers and transient workers are in.

Ings inflicted on him by officers in the jail. They are not allowed to have any reading matter whatsoever.

## THEATER GROUP BACKS ACTOR FIRED BY S.E.R.A.

**ONE REINSTATED; ACTION WON ON BRATT FIRING**

### BULLETIN

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—The Maritime Federation District Council unanimously passed a resolution condemning Chamberlain who was responsible for the firing of Bratt from the E. E. P. and demanded his reinstatement. The committee appointed by Wadsworth, assistant to Frank McLaughlin, state SERA head, to investigate the Bratt affair reported that it "had no jurisdiction and the matter was entirely up to Chamberlain."

SAN FRANCISCO, June 25.—One SERA worker was reinstated and a decision in the case of Bratt, hauled off the directing staff of "Peace on Earth" because of the supposed radical tendencies of the play, was promised Saturday when a grievance committee of twenty visited relief headquarters at 49 Fourth Street here.

Bratt had been assisting in capacity of Emergency Education Program representative in the staging of the antiwar play. He was separated by relief heads from the project and conspired for his participation, although the E. E. P. had oked the play after representatives had attended a partial rehearsal.

**Parallels Play.**

Curiously enough, the play itself is about a professor persecuted by red-baiters because of his liberal opinions.

Brian Gilbert, relief worker whose "separation" slip read "removed for Communist tendencies," was concealed immediate reinstatement at the demand of the grievance committee.

The committee consisted of representatives from the Public Works and Unemployed Union, the Professional and Office Workers' Union, Local No. 85 of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, the Masters, Mates and Pilots Association and the Carpenters, Local No. 22.

## Hearst Fires Guild Member

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—Now that the San Francisco Seamen's Local has voted to boycott completely all Hearst publications, the Call-Bulletin is all upset, and asks the unions to remember that it is a "friend of labor" and runs a union shop.

At the same time, Sam Freedman, one of the most militant members of the Newspaper Guild has been fired from his job on the copy desk, because of his activities as a member of the Guild. He was one of those who had the courage to testify for the Guild before the Regional Labor Board a year ago over the firing of Dean Jennings from the staff of the Oakland Tribune.

Freedman is known as a hard and capable worker, with an enviable record as a newspaperman throughout the country.

## \$30 DONATED TO PRISONERS BY 51 STEVEDORES

**THREE OF SAN QUENTIN VICTIMS ARE SUBJECT TO DISCRIMINATION**

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—Fifty-one longshoremen on the San Francisco front one day this week contributed \$30 for literature for the C. S. prisoners and Donlan, I.L.A. member and J. B. McNamara, all class war victims at San Quentin.

At most of the literature, it is reported goes to one or two prisoners. If those sending books and magazines will send the list to the International Labor Defense at San Francisco, the material will be distributed equitably. The C. S. prisoners are not kicking but when one person gets all the books it takes a long time to circulate them among the others.

**Discrimination.**

Wilson, Donlan, and Jack Crane are made subjects of constant discrimination by prison authorities. Wilson attempted to send greetings to the I.L.D. on its Tenth Anniversary and his privileges were taken away from him. His work in the jute mill has been made harder.

Donlan's work was operated on recently. A stool pigeon "put the finger on him" and he has been given a difficult job in the mechanical department, despite the

## GALLUP DEFENSE EXPOSES TRUE FACTS ON KIDNAPING OF MINOR AND LEVINSON FOR GRAND JURY

**Puts Questions Grand Jury Must Answer to Expose Truth About Attempt to Frame-up Gallup Victims**

SANTA FE, N. M., June 27.—Twenty-one important questions which the Grand Jury which it has been announced, will investigate the kidnaping of Robert Minor and David Levinson a month ago, must answer if it conducts a real inquiry into this outrage, are asked by the Gallup Defense Committee in a Bulletin, the fifth to be issued since the kidnaping. The bulletins have a wide circulation throughout New Mexico.

## Twelve Year Olds Held for Selling Western Workers

OAKLAND, Calif., June 27.—The twin daughters of Tony Rose, aged 12 years, have been arrested for selling Western Workers at a street carnival. Together with their 10-year old brother they were held incommunicado for two days and two nights by the juvenile authorities.

Finally, with the aid of the International Labor Defense, the mother succeeded in getting them released. The juvenile authorities are attempting to have the children made wards of the Juvenile Court and a trial is scheduled for June 28, at 2 p. m.—behind closed doors.

Their father, Tony Rose, has a crippled arm, there are ten in the family, and the small sum his daughters can sell Western Workers materially aids the family purse. The juvenile authorities are not opposed to the girls selling capitalist newspapers, but evidently think it a crime for them to sell a workers' paper.

**The Questions.**

Some of the questions follow: Why did Bill Fry, Gamero foreman, drive up and park in a dark blue coupe (alongside the Santa Fe Plaza in Gallup, directly opposite scene of kidnaping, just a few minutes before the kidnaping occurred)?

Why did Tom Dooley, Gamero outside foreman, drive up to the same place at the same time in a brown sedan and remained parked with his car lights on?

What was Hoy Boggers, deputy sheriff, (whose testimony at the preliminary hearing was discredited by the court) doing hanging around the Harvey Hotel lobby the night of the kidnaping, May 2nd? Why was he seen rushing into the hotel without a hat and rushing out again after Minor, Levinson and Mrs. Partol went out? Why did he return later to the hotel?

**Moses Implicated.**

How does one account for the fact that shortly after the defense party arrived in Gallup, Horace Moses, manager of the Gamero, was seen driving fast from Gallup to Gamero, followed closely by two other cars? Why did the second car contain Dr. Travers and Justice of the Peace Wm. Bickel (who admitted at the preliminary hearing that he had issued warrants for Vogel against Navarro which had been prepared by the Gamero lawyer, H. K. Lyle, without any sworn complaint)? And why did the third car in this fast moving motorcade carry a group of wellknown minecompany gunmen?

What part did Nick Fontecchia, who was in the Nyvago Hotel at the time, play in the kidnaping? (Fontecchia is the UMW mine-leader who is cooperating with Gamero and Vogel to railroad his own union brother to the chair)?

Why was Miss Daniels, county relief administrator of McKinley County, who was friendly to the Chihuahuita home-owners, removed from her job in McKinley County?

Why was a new administrator, Mrs. Springer, put in Miss Daniels' place, and afterwards, has used relief funds to pay craft to Vogel under the fake Chihuahuita socialled lease-sale contracts?

**No News?**

Why, on the afternoon of May 3, did Detective Martin tell members of the defense committee that there was "No news at all" of the kidnapped men—when as a matter of fact Martin had known for two hours that the men had been rescued?

Why, on the afternoon of May 5, did Asst. District Attorney McIntosh, the second "investigator" of the kidnaping, fly into a rage at the attempt of Attorney Arthur and Katherine Gay to plaster the auto tire prints at the spot where Minor and Levinson were dumped out by the kidnappers? Why did he forbid their recording of this evidence? Why did he refuse to accompany them to see it done? Did McIntosh ever have it done himself?

Why has Governor Tingley never published the report on the Minor-Levinson kidnaping by the New Mexico State Police? Can it be because the report furnishes overwhelming proof of the kidnaping, makes a Gallup Grand jury superfluous and discredits the statement of McIntosh and Chavez, and the "Gallup Independent"?

# From The Worker Correspondents

## ALASKA MINERS' STRIKE BRINGS OUTWHOLE CREW

**JUNEAU WORKERS ACT TO GET MORE PAY, BETTER CONDITIONS**

JUNEAU, Alaska, June 27.—On May 22 the Alaska Mine Workers Union came out on strike 100 per cent, total number of men involved, 950. Up to now no one has returned to work, and we have the job closely picketed. No attempt has been made to rush strike-breakers through, but there is an opposition group showing its dirty face and trying to get the workers to sign a petition to go back to work.

The men demand the closed shop, pay raise to \$115 an hour, 48-hour week, safety committee, medical attention for employees, and their dependents, and the right to choose their own doctor. The company superintendent turned down all demands when they were presented, and the strike was called at 7 o'clock the same day, by the rank and file committee that was empowered to act. When the afternoon shift came out at 11 p. m. the mine was closed.

About 20 road workers in Douglass, Alaska, struck for a raise in wages from 65¢ an hour to 75¢. With the help of the Communist Party in Juneau, the unemployed, and the Mine Workers Union the whole job was picketed and closed down for two weeks. All demands were won.

The Carpenters and Plumbers in Juneau, Alaska, are out 100 per cent. The Juneau Lumber Co. gave all its workers a blanket wage raise of 40¢ a day, without being asked.

The mill workers were getting hostile and talking of organizing the mill, which is the blackest job around here. When the mill workers get organized they can be sure of keeping their raise.

## BLACKLISTING MADE EASY BY FINGERPRINTS

**CONTRA COSTA INDUSTRY TAKES UP SCHEME**

MARTINEZ, Calif., June 27.—The industries of Contra Costa County are adopting the scheme to fingerprint all employees. They say it is only for identification purposes, in case somebody turns up missing or a body needs to be identified.

The Selby Lead Plant took it up first. Columbia Steel followed. The Crockett Sugar Plant tried to begin it, but when the Warehousemen's Union demanded to know why, the Co. Manager said it "was for the purpose of keeping out undesirables." The Warehousemen refused to accept it, so it has not been tried at the Sugar mill.

The Selby Lead and Columbia Steel claim these prints are never classified, but only filed for the purpose of identification. That is a lie. Joe Brown was fired at the Columbia Steel Mill after one day's work. His time check was made out and waiting for him at the gate. The steel police told him that he was undesirable, and that they had a list of all undesirable. Joe Brown was fingerprinted in San Francisco after he was arrested on a picket line.

The campaign for universal fingerprinting is getting a big boost in local papers, schools and hospitals. In some maternity wards, finger printing of babies is an established rule; schools in Oakland and Berkeley are talking of adopting it.

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## BAKERSFIELD RAILROAD SHOP WORKERS DRIVEN AS ANIMALS

**Boss Hoover and Flunky Smile Only When Top Officials Visit the Plant**

By a Shop Worker.

BAKERSFIELD, Calif., June 24.—In the Santa Fe railroad shops at Bakersfield (car department and round house) the workers are facing a more killing pace than ever before. The bosses are driving the workers as never before.

The car department has a straw boss by the name of Hoover who has made many a good worker quit his job on account of being driven like an animal. Hoover is a petty boss for Henry Mack. This big boss, Mack, makes \$275 per month for doing nothing. His wife is a principal at the Lincoln School at a big salary. His daughter worked for the County Welfare for years and his son is a petty shyster lawyer. So while Big Boss Mack drives his men all day his shyster lawyer son robs the workers in court.

**Slave Driver.**

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These two bosses, Hoover and Mack, are inhuman in their treatment of the workers but when the big office men in Los Angeles pay us a visit, Mack and Hoover show them all around the shop with their wonderful angelic smiles on their big, ugly pans that almost outline the sun in Bakersfield in July and August. And believe me, Bakersfield is hotter than Hell in these two months. When the big office bosses come to Bakersfield, Hoover tells the men to smile and slow down but to look extremely busy until the visitors are gone, and "then step on it!"

## SERA UNION IS ORGANIZED IN SAN DIEGO CO.

**RELIEF WORKERS PLAN TO FIGHT INJUSTICES**

By a Worker Correspondent.

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 27.—The organizing of an SERA union here last Friday, June 21, met with instant approval by a packed meeting of 150 workers. A committee was elected to draw up the bylaws and determine the possibility of entrance into the American Federation of Labor.

Because of the California Pacific International Exposition being held in San Diego this year, rents and commodity prices have gone up skyhigh. A man and wife on SERA are allotted \$10 for rent and something must be done to correct this injustice.

The cost of entering the Exposition is completely prohibitive to the SERA workers who built the entire fair. Dozens of thousands of free passes have been issued, especially to the navy personnel.

The SERA union will be a wall to prevent further injustices and correct those already imposed. Surrounding towns sent committees of SERA workers to the meeting with promises to organize SERA unions throughout San Diego County.

A second meeting was scheduled for a week later and the mass sentiment was in favor of regular weekly meetings.

A new pamphlet, "Hearst-Labor's Enemy No. 1," by James Casey, 3c. Read it, sell it to your neighbors, and help build the boycott.

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## SANTA ANA RED BAITERS FIGHT WORKERS' CLUB

**ORGANIZATION HOLDS ITS FIRST MASS MEETING; SEVENTY JOIN CLUB**

By a Worker Correspondent.

SANTA ANA, Calif., June 27.—Orange County is waking up. Proof of this is the fear which has been created in the hearts of the local Chamber of Commerce and the local Executive Committee of the American Legion because Orange County workers are organizing.

More than 1,200 workers, both Mexican and American, have joined the Workers Clubs and are showing action never before seen in this county.

Thursday evening, June 20, marked the first mass meeting held here by the Workers' Club, at the Willard School Auditorium. The Executive Committee of the American Legion drew up a protest against this meeting, endeavoring to stop it. The School Board investigated and reported it would permit the meeting as is could find no evidence of "Red activities."

Numerous legionnaires and plain clothesmen were present at the meeting which was well attended. It was a united front of all workers to fight for better conditions and the response was tremendous. More than 70 outsiders joined the club.

The local paper, "The Santa Ana Journal," is trying to dig up the "Red scare" to keep the local workers from organizing and the Journal prints appeals to the local workers, especially the Mexican workers, to "Beware of any American organization such as the Workers' Club."

The "Journal" is a Strips Howard publication and pretends to be for the working man but works hand in hand with the red baiters to drive the conditions of the workers down.



## East of the Rockies

### Phil. Food Workers Strike

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., June 27.—Employees of George's Home Lunch Chain have gone on strike against the firing of one worker and the threat to close hours from 54 to 70 a week. Although the food workers were unorganized when they struck, they have now joined the Hotel and Restaurant Workers independent union. The strikers demand union recognition, a six-day week, and reinstatement of fired workers.

### Shoe Workers to Oppose Wage Cuts

LYNN, Mass., June 27.—Shoe workers of this city, members of the United Shoe and Leather Workers Union, have gone on record as opposing wage cuts threatened by their employers. In a referendum, they voted 963 out of 1178 to strike against any wage cut which may be attempted.

### Drive Against Foreign-Born Launched

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 28.—Representative Martin Dies has launched a nationwide campaign to split worker's ranks by deporting six million foreign-born. He has developed an organization known as the "Americans" to bring pressure on Congress for passage of the Dies' deportation bill. He has added the number of foreign-born in the United States, to make it appear that unemployment would be abolished by deporting them.

### Nazi Teacher Insults Former President

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., June 27.—Manners among the Nazis were revealed quite thoroughly in the hearing now going on over the charge that Dr. Hauptmann, head of the German Department at New Jersey College for Women, had an instructor fired for his anti-Nazi views. It was testified that Dr. Hauptmann threw a book at a student, and vilified President Wilson, calling him a "schweinhund."

### Guild Signs Up N. Y. Paper

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 27.—The New York Daily News has signed a contract with the Newspaper Guild of New York, guaranteeing a five-day week for editorial employees, and \$15 a week minimum for copy boys. The agreement is to run for one year unless superseded by a contract between the Newspaper Guild and the Newspaper Publishers Association.

### Crippled Pickets Jailed in N. Y.

NEW YORK, N. Y., June 27.—Two crippled pickets, who had been arrested on charges of disturbing the peace were released by the Supreme Court on writ of habeas corpus after they had been refused bail by Magistrate Harris. They were arrested because they had picketed the Emergency Relief Bureau in behalf of crippled workers, demand work relief. They are defended by Samuel Goldberg, of the International Labor Defense.

## Drive Against School Freedom Gets Under Way

TEACHERS, STUDENTS ARE EXPELLED AT DEMAND OF CAPITALISTS

NEW YORK, June 27.—Dean Rappaport's statement, supported by the advocates of seven students, that "the money interests" forced him to expel six students, three technicians and two instructors from the Columbia University Medical Center, since May 18, throws light on the wave of repression by school and college administrations throughout the country.

Spurred on by the Hearst anti-red campaign and the charge by Walden that his niece was subjected to "communist influence" at Chicago University, the Illinois State Senate has begun an investigation of the institution. This campaign has spread to Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, where one of its foremost professors, Granville Hicks, has been dismissed.

In New Jersey, when the firing of Dr. David from Rutgers University for his anti-Nazi views was questioned, Dr. Hauptmann, head of the German Department, admitted that he had communicated with Dr. Guehls, German Minister for Propaganda, for material for "cultural propaganda" to be sent all over the U. S., and that he had slapped a girl for expressing her anti-Nazi views. Teachers testified that Nazi literature had been disseminated at the college.

At Bryn Mawr College, the Summer School for Working Women, which had been part of the college for 14 years, has suddenly been removed from the campus at the instigation of the Board of Directors. The dropping of Dr. Winslow N. Hallett of Cedar Crest College, Allentown, Pa., for his pro-labor views, and the request for an investigation of Howard College by Congressmen Mitchell indicate the nationwide trend to suppress academic freedom.

In New York City, six Hunter College students have been ousted by President Colligan for their activity in the Anti-War Strike of April 12. The National Student League and the United Parents Association have protested to the Board of Education against the blacklisting of student participants in the April 12 strike at Abraham Lincoln, New Utrecht, and Clinton High Schools. At Morris High School seven members of the school paper staff have been dropped for their anti-war activities. At Valhalla, N. Y., two teachers were dismissed for organizing a teachers union. The students went on strike and 300 parents demanded the reinstatement of the teachers.

## FLEET OF ARMY TRUCKS VISITS RENO ARSENAL

PREPARATIONS FOR WAR ON PACIFIC

PHOENIX, June 27.—Approaching 240 army trucks passed through Phoenix during the past few days, enroute to the coast and to Nevada, in preparation for contacting the supposedly "secret" arsenal established several months ago near Reno. This is also "necessary" in contacting with the coast ports and Pacific Fleet in anticipation of the pending imperialist war with Japan.

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## ARIZONA HOMES THREATENED BY FORECLOSURES

HOME OWNERS LOAN CORP. PLANS TO FILE SUIT ON ALL MORTGAGES

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 27.—Naming as defendants, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Marberry, Salt River Valley residents, and others, the Home Owners' Loan Corporation filed in Maricopa County Superior Court yesterday its first property foreclosure action to be brought within the state.

The Home Owners' Loan Corporation seeks to foreclose on a mortgage given by the Marberys and to collect \$1,463.68, interest and costs, on a promissory note executed in May, 1934, and held by the Corporation.

The HOLC asks appointment of a receiver for the property to serve until a final decree is entered.

The action is the first of several foreclosure suits to be filed immediately in this locality by the HOLC, according to official reports. In reality, however, this signals the development of a general practice in foreclosing on those home owners whose mortgages are held by the HOLC. Many workers and middle class people face the loss of their homes.

## JAPANESE TAKE U.S. COTTON FOR WAR MATERIALS

ARIZONA CROP GOES INTO UNIFORMS, GUNCOTTON

PHOENIX, Ariz., June 27.—Arrangements are now being made by the Japanese government to deposit \$500,000 in a local bank to purchase Salt River Valley cotton. The Japanese consul at Los Angeles is in charge of the negotiations involving a local businessman who has agreed to act as agent in return for a commission of 1 per cent to be paid upon delivery to railroad and forwarding the bill of lading to Los Angeles.

Only two grades will be purchased. The first grade will be used for munition purposes and other war materials. The lowest grade is needed for the manufacture of cheap clothing for the Japanese soldiers. Japan has also purchased large quantities of scrap iron in Arizona.

## Writer Sees U. S. Wealth Belong To Small Minority

NEW YORK, June 27.—"More than 90% of the workers in the United States receive less than \$2,000 a year, which is regarded as sufficient only for basic necessities."

"According to the U. S. Federal Trade Commission in 1925 1% of the people did own 90% of the wealth reported and since that time the rich have been getting richer and the poor poorer."

## Workers Proven Willing To Aid Gallup Defense

Tour of Three States By Members of the Defense Committee Brings Instant Response from Many A.F.L. Locals

By G. K.

SANTA FE, N. M., June 27.—That the workers of the West are eager to learn the truth of what happened in Gallup, New Mexico, on April 4, 1934, was demonstrated in a recent tour by a member of the Gallup Defense Committee of three states, Colorado, Utah, and Wyoming.

Julia Bartol, wife of one of the Gallup prisoners facing framed charges of murder growing out of an attack by the sheriff and his deputies upon a meeting in Gallup on April 4, George Kaplan, district organizer of the International Labor Defense, and Harry Alexander, a member of the Defense Committee, made the speaking tour.

During the progress of the tour, successful meetings were held in local Gallup Defense Committees were set up, involving a large section of the American Federation of Labor.

The first stop was at Colorado Springs. The Central Trades and Labor Assembly Hall was secured. Despite the attempt of an international officer of the United Mine Workers of America to raise a "red-scare" a defense committee was formed with an A. F. of L. base.

At Bon Carbo, Colo., without previous contact, defense committees were started in two separate locals of the U. M. W. A. At Durango, despite organized vigilante terror, a large crowd attended the meeting.

At Helper, Utah, a small mining town, the workers already were acquainted with armed terror through experiences gained during the 1934 coal strike. The mass meeting was well attended and another defense committee was set up. At the conclusion of the meeting a miner from Scofield, Utah, controlled by the Utah Copper Company, got up and asked Mrs. Julia Bartol if she would come up and speak before his local of the U. M. W. A.

This local arranged for a special meeting and Mrs. Bartol spoke. The result was the whole local signed up for the defense committee and issued the following statement to all U. M. W. A. and A. F. of L. locals:

"We, the United Mine Workers of America, Local 6204, pledge our cooperation in the defense of the Gallup miners who are members of the United Mine Workers of America and trade unionists and call upon other brother trade unionists to do likewise."

In the Salt Lake section, most of the meetings were called by the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers. At Dark City, Utah, a very good meeting was held and a defense committee was set up. Delegates pledged to take the message of the Gallup framed to their different locals.

At Bingham Canyon and Toole, Utah, successful meetings were held and defense committees started in Snider Workers' local.

At Rock Springs, Wyoming, a mass meeting was held. The following evening the Snider Workers' local was visited. Support of the Gallup defense was pledged on a motion of Joe Dominicki, President of the local. A collection of \$5 was taken up and an additional \$25 promised.

The tour demonstrated that large sections of the American Federation of Labor can be won to the defense of the Gallup miners, despite the all too frequent attempts of the top officialdom to sabotage the action of the rank and filers.

The tasks of the entire group of Gallup Defense Committees now is to broaden the basis of the defense and to draw in other A. F. of L. locals and various organizations. Protest resolutions must be introduced and adopted and financial support must be pledged. Committees can arrange small affairs for the purpose of raising funds, and in the near future, one day demonstrations demanding the release of all arrested Gallup workers must be arranged.

All local committees must see to it that they keep in constant touch with the District Gallup Defense Committee in Colorado.

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## SAN DIEGO A.F.L. PLANS MEET TO DISCUSS LABOR

JOINT DISCUSSION WITH INTER-PROFESSIONAL ASS'N ANNOUNCED

SAN DIEGO, Calif., June 26.—Organized Labor and the Inter-professional Association will join together in sponsoring a big meeting on July 2, at which the problems facing Labor at this time will be discussed.

At the Federated Trades and Labor Council meeting last week, a committee of three was appointed to work with a committee from the Inter-professional Association in arranging the meeting. It was announced that William W. Busick, educational director and international organizer for the International Ladies Garment Workers Union will be the principal speaker. The place of the meeting will be announced next week.

It was announced that the New Plaza Hotel had been selected for official State Federation of Labor convention headquarters. Although the nonunion Golden Lion tavern is in the same building as this hotel, it was reported that it has no connection with the hotel and is supposed to be under entirely separate ownership and management.

The Stage Employers Union reported that the Globe Theater at the exposition, which is showing Shakespeare plays, is unfair to labor, the proprietor, Col. Perry, being one more of the concessionaires who absolutely refuse to hire union workers. It was asked that the theater be placed on the unfair list, but the request was referred to the executive and arbitration committee which will try to iron out the grievances with Perry so as to insure San Diego union men working at the show.

New delegates were seated from the American Federation of Teachers, the Teachers Union, and the Teamsters and Chauffeurs. The two new delegates from the Teachers were, Daisy Lee Worcester and Harry C. Steinmetz.

## Landlord Prevents Opening of Fresno Workers' Bookshop

FRESNO, Calif., June 27.—Before the new Workers' Bookshop could be fixed up for opening the owner of the building turned the whole proposition down.

He claims to be a sympathizer of the labor movement, yet wouldn't allow the book shop on his property because the workers in charge "would sell Communist literature."

Meanwhile Fresno workers can buy the Western Worker and other literature at the news stand across from the post office, and also on F street near Tulare, across from the Lyceum Theater.

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

## Foreign News Briefs

### German-Japanese Alliance Planned

BERLIN, June 27.—An alliance between Germany and Japan, directed at the Soviet Union, is in the making. As steps toward it, Count Matsuoka, Japanese ambassador, is on an official tour of the largest German cities. Seventy Japanese officers are on their way here to study Nazi military methods. The Nazis very much envy the Japanese principle of identifying the Emperor with God, and have adopted the saying, "We come to God through Adolph Hitler."

### Italy Demands Part of Ethiopia

ROME, Italy, June 27.—Italy will demand more than a protectorate over Ethiopia in return for support to the Anglo-Nazi naval treaty, it was made known here unofficially. It is expected that Italy will be given the Ogaden section of Ethiopia, which will join Eritrea and Italian Somaliland, at present separated by Ethiopia and British Somaliland. England is willing to concede this to Italy in return for support for the Anglo-Nazi naval rearmament pact.

### Japanese Low Wage Policy Lauded

PARIS, France, June 27.—More than a thousand delegates at the International Chamber of Commerce convention here heard Japan's business methods lauded as an example to other countries. The Japanese success in international trade has been due to low wages paid the workers, and industrialists in other countries are jealous of the large profits made by the small number of great monopolies, each of which controls a whole industry. Sir Arthur Balfour, representing British employers, was especially eager in his praise of the low wage paying Japanese policies.

### Spanish Revolutionists Face Frame-Up

MADRID, Spain, June 27.—Fifty-five Spanish revolutionists are being tried by a military court martial and face death sentences if convicted. They are on trial for alleged atrocities committed in Oviedo during the October uprising. The government is using the stories of a couple of stool-pigeons, although even bourgeois papers at the time admitted that all atrocities had been committed by the mercenaries and the Civil Guards.

### Food Prices in Soviet Union Lowered

MOSCOW, June 27.—A general reduction of 15 to 30 per cent in the price of flour throughout the Soviet Union, was announced recently by the Soviet government. A second decree cut the price of milk from 15 to 30 per cent, and the price of potatoes by 30 per cent. These reductions follow a steady decline in food prices for more than a year, while wages in all the lower-paid brackets were increased by 10 per cent at the beginning of this year.

## JAPANESE TRADE UNION CHAIRMAN DENOUNCES WAR

KANJU KATO BLAMES WAR PERIL ON CAPITALISM

NEW YORK, June 24.—Kanju Kato, chairman of the National Council of Trade Unions of Japan, the Japanese counterpart of the A. F. of L., arrived in New York June 11, bringing "fraternal greetings to the working people of America from the Japanese masses." Kato's tour in the U. S. is under the auspices of the Methodist Federation for Social Service.

In an interview he stated that "the Japanese workers know that the critical situation in China now is the result of imperialistic designs of Japanese, English and American capitalists," and that they are against any war in China, and are opposed to Japanese jingoists who, declaring war with the U. S. inevitable, are preparing for such an eventuality.

## CINCINNATUS ORDER RIVAL OF CRUSADERS

FASCIST GANG IN S. F. IS MODELLED AFTER SEATTLE GROUP

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—A politically ambitious lawyer, Edmund Gerald Brown has started an organization, called the New Order of Cincinnatus. It is modeled after the group now in operation in Seattle, which has distinguished itself by being viciously anti-labor. It is the God-father behind the scene of Seattle's "Committee of 500," a vigilante group which has used paid advertisements to urge violence against labor unions and workers during strikes.

The membership, according to Mr. Brown, is drawn largely from the Junior Chamber of Commerce, lodges, improvement clubs, and other anti-labor groups. In addition he is trying to draw some of the labor fakers into the organization.

The present San Francisco Cincinnatus group is not the first one that was intended to be started here. Jerald Sullivan, Robert B. Coons and some other reactionaries started out to imitate the Cincinnatus group in Seattle. But they couldn't agree with the Seattle boys, so they called their group the Crusaders.

The Crusaders are backed by Wallace Alexander, director of Honolulu Consolidated Oil Company, Home Fire and Marine Insurance Company, Matson Navigation Co., and well known as an open shop advocate and leading light in the Industrial Association. They are said to be linked to the "Committee of 1000," vigilante organization organized to crush the trade unions. Backed by the Chamber of Commerce, Junior Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Association, and openly preaching a fascist form of government, the United States through the use of armed force, they have any amount of money behind them to use for thugs and gangsters to carry out their plans in any strike that may start.

The Cincinnatus, which is just springing up, is a rival edition of the Crusaders, backed by the same type of persons and using the same tactics. Formed to satisfy the political ambitions of its organizer, it will struggle for support of powerful financial groups, by showing the greatest possible anti-labor bias, so that it will win preference over the Crusaders.

do well, if Lawrence is indeed in his midst, to tell him to go home to his grave, and quit behaving in a manner which is indecent for a ghost, to say the least.

And if its two other fellows he could tell them to return to Lawrence's grave and meditate on Afghanistan.

## Chinese Red Army Unites 200,000 For Attack on Chiang

By Emmett Kirby

### Armies of Szechwan and Kiangsi Combine Forces Into Biggest Chinese Soviet Army in History—Japanese Continue Fighting in North China—Lawrence of Arabia Won't Stay in His Grave

Hispanichien. Their maneuvers of the past month have had as their purpose bringing about this union.

Victory Certain.

They are opposed by a KMT force reported as being 500,000 strong, who are better equipped and entrenched in an area fortified by not only walled cities but lines of concrete pillboxes and machine gun towers. But many times in the past Red Armies less than a quarter the size of this one have been able to beat all that Chiang Kai Shek, butcher head of the Nationalist armies, could muster. And they will again.

Tienchuan, the Red Army headquarters' base is situated most advantageously for operations in the area, with good roads leading into the Province of Yunnan, Szechwan and Kansu. In all these the Soviet Districts have been set up.

No indications of a move of the combined Red Armies on Chengtu has been reported as yet, either as to possible time of marching on it for attack or tactic. All that is definitely known at this moment is that Chengtu lies in the middle of a horseshoe of territory sympathetic to the Red Army and that the connection between Chengtu and Chungking, the Yangtze river port is still in the hands of Chiang Kai Shek. How long he will be able to hold it under an attack is another question.

In the meantime he has clamped down a blanket censorship through which very little news comes. But

it is known that to the North on the Mongolian border there still remains a strong Red Army force to protect and consolidate that territory. And way back in Kiangsi the Red evacuation was not complete.

A Red Army of several thousand well equipped men was left in an almost impenetrable mountain region. From this base it continues to wield considerable influence over the territory once the Central Chinese Soviet Republic and has so harassed the KMT soldiers in that area that they have not been able to do the least bit toward wiping them out. Figures on this Red Army have been variously given—from ten up to thirty thousand men.

One of the choice adventure thrillers of the day is the question of Col. Lawrence, ace secret service agent for Great Britain. This man, you may recall, was buried with out ostentation a month and a half ago, because he died several days after injuries from a motorcycle accident. During his illness, no one save the military doctors saw him. Later, in accordance with his wish, expressed while unconscious—presumably, the ceremonies were very simple and no one saw his brother was allowed to view the corpse. The whole thing was so suspicious that many did not believe he was dead, but that it was somebody else or the coffin was empty.

The Ghost Walks.

Justification for this is now reported by the Paris newspaper

L'Ouvre. This journal has a fair reputation for accuracy, as capitalist sheets go. Their correspondent writing from Cairo says that "Lawrence of Arabia" arrived in Africa with an assistant named Gardner late in April and got to Addis Ababa May 21st where he is now supposed to be helping the Ethiopian war staff.

Whether he is dead or in Ethiopia is nothing to stay awake at night about. The fellow did not do so well in his other most important venture since "he was betrayed" by his country in the matter of Arabian freedom. That business about refusing the King's medals was the only way he could keep his prestige and value as secret service agent among colonial peoples. And it was as spectacular as a fake death and burial would be—if such it was. Lawrence has a flair for that sort of thing.

The Afghanistan Defeat.

But three years ago in Afghanistan, when as Private Shaw he was supposed to be either in the air force or the tank corps, and was in neither save nominally, he was trying to swing the natives and government of Afghanistan to war alliance with Great Britain. He particularly was sent to prevent the building of a broad highway through that territory which connected with the famous Khyber Pass. The Pass is the only feasible route from the north into India.

But the natives would have nothing to do with him. And obscure organizers of the

natives, pointing out the difference between the condition in India under British terrorism and the advantages obtained by the natives in the territorial belt of national minorities under the Soviet Union just to the north, made Lawrence look like he really was back in India after all. And defeated, he was soon recalled to his tank corps and "archaeological studies" and "poetry translations." The latter were reputedly the "poetry of motion," certain problems in ballistics and aviation given him by the War Department. The "archaeology" was reported as having to do with application of cavalry tactics to whisper tanks. Take your pick. But the lad was no poet.

And the obscure organizer who sent him home with the tail between the legs? Shhh-h! Bend closer, dear reader. After you pulled off their false whiskers, it has been said, you found members of the Communist Party of Afghanistan who like the other natives of the working class, did not believe in war alliances or imperialism.

Agents in Abyssinia.

But Lawrence or not, certainly Britain has sent some of the best men she could muster to Addis Ababa to phenag whatever advantage they can for themselves at the expense of Ethiopia under the pretext of aiding against Italy. In the meantime she pretends to Italy a hands off attitude or even assistance. The six proposals of the last week, which would really

give her far more than Italy in a division of Ethiopia were offered in a "spirit of cooperation." But they were so bald-faced that Mussolini indignantly tossed them back into Captain Eden's hat. And Captain Eden left for France at once.

The proposal gave Britain what she wanted, the control of the Lake Tsana region and of the Blue Nile. This is of tremendous importance for Britain for it controls the irrigation of the huge cottonfields of the British Sudan. By this Britain hopes to release herself from the grip of the American cotton monopoly, important during war time particularly, as well as supply her mills with cheaper cotton. These she will not give up. So under the pretense of aiding Ethiopia, and of aiding Italy she plays a double game trying to ingratiate herself with both sides at the expense of Ethiopia. Her recent agreement with Hitler, agreeing to his having a navy bigger than Mussolini's, was a club in that direction.

Won't Give Up Blue Nile.

British imperialist moves are often devious in their maneuvers but clear as crystal in their intent. Like the recent move to give Firestonia (called Liberia on the maps) and its big American rubber plantations to Hitler to shut up his demands that Britain return stolen German colonies, so are her maneuvers regarding Ethiopia. She will concede what she has to, but she will not concede Italy domination of the area of Lake Tsana. You can bet on that one. And out of it all, so far as Britain is concerned, Ethiopia can only lose.

Emperor Haile Selassie would



# The Meaning Of The NRA Decision

HARRY CARLISLE

## Supreme Court Ruling merely a Shift in Capitalist Tactics; Fascist Content of N.R.A. Already Revealed in Frozen Wages; Roosevelt Plans Further Exploitation

What Lord Bryce, the bourgeois expert in constitutional government defined as a defect in the constitution, was given as an excuse for declaring the NRA unconstitutional. "States Rights versus Federal Centralization" is an old political hobby-horse. Engels pointed out that this defect would at times hamper the full political centralization necessary to capitalist dictatorship, but he likewise pointed out that "the bourgeoisie is always first to violate its own legality." In war time, this anti-democratic centralization is accomplished by "emergency legislation" which remains unchallenged by the Supreme Court.

Such centralization is even more necessary in the period of capitalist decay, to make easy the perfection of the totalitarian (fascist) state. The NRA provided this in part. And a challenge to its constitutionality was carefully withheld from the very beginning.

### \* Not Capitalist Retreat.

Does the anti-NRA decision therefore mean that the capitalist class intends giving up even the slightest advantage gained from its semi-fascist adventure in legislation?

Or does this reversal of policy contradict the Communist Party estimate of NRA as "concealed fascism"?

On the contrary, it confirms the thesis that there is no single path to fascism; that fascist leaders are compelled to adopt ever more shifty "democratic" maneuvers and demagogic appeals, to even "reverse" their tactics as anti-fascist consciousness grows. To understand this clearly, we must not only fathom the immediate facts involved in this "reversal" of policy, but also the basic causes for the appearance and development of fascism. R. Palme Dutt writes (Communist International No. 8—"Some Problems of Fascism"):

It might even be said that capitalism has now CONSCIOUSLY entered on the reversal of its ascending role (a reversal already implicit in the whole imperialist epoch as the epoch of capitalism in decay), i. e., the organized restriction of production and throttling of productive advance, cutting down of international trade in the intensified fight for dwindling markets, acceptance of chronic large-scale unemployment as a permanent phenomenon, and adjustment to a lowered standard of living for the masses.

### \* Fascist Content.

In this respect, we see the fascist content of the NRA concealed within itself: it froze wages at lower levels, spread the work to place part of the burden of permanent unemployment on the backs of the workers, shrank the productive base of industry by permitting monopolies to utilize code "facilities" to annihilate small competitors, raised prices by means of artificial scarcity (food and crop destruction, etc.) and attached workers to the semi-fascist state apparatus through compulsion and the anti-strike mechanism of Section 7a.

But this is not as yet open fascism in the sense of the Italian and German "totalitarianism." Nor has it achieved the desired effects on the whole in the two years of operation.

True, wages have fallen and prices have indeed risen. For the full extent of these effects see "NRA Notes," June 1935. And, insofar as there was a marked increase of corporate profits, the crisis passed over to the stage of depression. But the looked for investment in non-consumable goods (constant capital) failed to stir recovery activity in that fatally crippled region of capitalist economy.

### \* Capitalists Alarmed.

During the last few months of the NRA a certain section of the capitalist class showed their alarm. One of their spokesmen, Colonel Ayres, banker and business expert, states in the current monthly business bulletin of the Cleveland Trust Company:

"In the two years that American business has operated under the codes it has made the worst record among the nations of the world in so far as recovery is concerned.... The preliminary (index) figure for May of this year is 84, or a net decline during the two years of nine per cent."

In the face of such facts, it is little wonder that new stratagems are considered necessary. And the first of these is further wage-cutting and price-protecting. Hence

the relaxing of certain NRA measures, with emergency post-NRA legislation passed immediately to perpetuate corporate control. But this is not the whole story by any means.

### \* New Attack.

A complete new program has been in careful preparation for many months past, involving adaptation to a whole series of changes in the political and economic set-up. Roosevelt, the most able demagogue in the service of Wall Street, began the maneuvers that are intended to lead the country to that stage of capitalist class-consciousness described by Palme Dutt when he declares:

Fascism... attempts forcibly to overcome the intensified contradictions of capitalism—both the contradictions of the class struggle reaching to the point of revolution, the economic contradictions of the giganticly increased productive power pressing against the narrow shell of capitalist relations, and the political contradictions of the bourgeoisie within each State (read: government apparatus, expressed in the old style Party fight. Herein lies the significance of its ideology of totalitarianism." (Ibid.)

Some of the immediate measures for the preservation of capitalism at all costs may be briefly described as follows:

1) Preserve all the features of NRA beneficial to monopoly capitalism. Clear the path for another violent shrinkage of the production base, by permitting the middle capitalist to be absorbed.

2) Substitute such measures as the Wagner and Guffey Bills for the subtle Section 7a. Secretly encourage the suppression of labor's civil rights by means of a constant stream of anti-labor legislation, on the basis of "miss with ten and hit with one"—while talking loudly of "democratic rights versus unprincipled privilege." Give tacit support to the ruthless fascist suppression of strikes while deploring "unnecessary violence." Encourage company unionism as convenient means of regimentation of labor in wartime, keeping wages down now. Use reactionary and even "liberal" labor leaders to draw the organized workers further into the government apparatus, and encourage the expulsion of militants from the unions. (As on the San Francisco waterfront, Ed.)

3) Re-shuffle the entire relief setup. Prepare 600,000 CCC boys for war. Give work relief to only part of the destitute at sub-minimum rates; leaving rest to starve while they gather forces to the point of successful mass pressure for local—then State—and finally Federal relief once more. Increase war preparations under guise of work relief measures.

4) Seek subdivision of labor

in the open attack on the Soviet Union on the one hand, and Japan on the other, whipping up war sentiment. (Note Hearst's use of members of the government apparatus; note McFadden's suggestion that the CCC and prison labor be used to manufacture cheap goods for the purpose of "competing with Japanese low wage standards on foreign markets.") Work steadily toward suppression of the Communist Party and curbing of all militant groups of outspoken anti-fascist character.

### \* Long Range Plans.

But it is in the political field that Roosevelt is planning at long range to build the capitalist united front. Note his observation of the "internal divisions of the bourgeoisie" expressed in the old style Party fight. Already there is talk of a unified Democratic Republican Party in the 1936 elections; already he has capitalized on the anti-NRA, semi-fascist work of Long and Coughlin by repealing the NRA before resistance grew to dangerous proportions, then coming out for a demagogic share-the-wealth, tax-the-rich (in some distant future) program.

He is striving to overcome all serious tendencies to political atomization (growth of numerous conflicting parties)—a phenomenon of decaying capitalism in Italy and Germany before fascism "united" capitalist rule; and evident in France, where the working class "peoples" united front holds the fascistization process in staidmate while the revolutionary crisis approaches.

### \* The Danger.

Without question Roosevelt's tactic has been successful in large measure, and we dare not underestimate the possibility of his rapidly consolidating a mass ORGANIZED base in the near future on a broad demagogic program (he already has declarations of support from Coughlin, Long, and Lpton Sinclair.) If this trend continues Roosevelt or some equally popular substitute for the 1936 elections will undoubtedly split even the "third party" groups, whose social-fascist leaders, in combating the united front are today actually paving the way for such a split. The united anti-fascist front will be weakened enormously, and the danger of fascism will be so much greater, as we will be able to organize militarized units within the broad mass support he is likely to get. Without question—regardless of who prepares it—the stage of the organized fascist party is approaching.

And this was one of the reasons for the abolition of the NRA—to stop the growth of anti-fascist sentiment amongst broad masses into a conscious anti-fascist sentiment, and then to harness it to the type of demagoguery already successfully tried out by

Long-Coughlin-Sinclair, thus adding to those many supporters who still believe in the NRA and think Roosevelt got a raw deal from reactionary capitalists.

### \* Will He Succeed?

How successful will this tactic be? Can Roosevelt win the broad mass base he requires? Can he win even a sufficiently strategic mass to provide the fascist mechanism he requires? Can we measure up to the possibilities of growing anti-capitalist sentiment before it is canalized into the united front of social-fascists with capitalist-reformism? Are we conscious of all aspects of our problem, and have we evolved the correct methods of work? What mistakes have we made in the immediate past and how can we correct them?

Roosevelt's success will be measured by our failure to arouse strategic masses of workers and the middle strata to convinced anti-fascist action. This means that in addition to working persistently and with adequate propaganda material among such masses as we have managed to contact we must continuously utilize our mass organizations and united front conferences to extend our field of activity. The degree to which we are able to lead masses in motion through strike and unemployment struggles, through the League Against War and Fascism, the Civil Rights Conference, and other united front efforts, will determine the growth of political consciousness to the point where the Labor Party based on the trade unions will appear convincingly as the only way of adequately fighting the anti-capitalist, anti-fascist fight.

### \* Bring CP Forward.

All our mass activity, no matter how wide or how narrow our point of contact, no matter whether we are concentrating on rank and file trade union work or appealing to churches and other "nonpolitical" mass organizations must include careful explanation of the role of the Communist Party and the necessity for its active inclusion in any and all united front steps—now more than ever before, because an intense concerted effort to eliminate Communists and Communist sympathizers from all mass organizations will be initiated where it is not already in progress.

This means that anti-capitalist sentiment will be drifted, sometimes deliberately, sometimes unconsciously into the channels of unqualified democratic-reformism and therefore class-collaboration. The surest way to combat fascism is therefore to raise the prestige of the Communist Party as the center of all anti-capitalist and anti-fascist struggle.

### \* Past Mistakes.

As to our past mistakes, they were largely due to such factors as lack of serious Marxist analysis of our immediate problems; lack of organizational and political mobility and therefore a tendency to lag behind conditions as they change; isolation due to contempt for the political backwardness of workers in non-Communist organizations (a species of sectarian excuse for not carrying on mass work); a tendency to hide the face of the Party so as to minimize opposition to successful mass work when the red scare is introduced; failure to mobilize and correctly assign Party forces to the various phases of work; failure to achieve wide distribution of the excellent agitation and propaganda pamphlets now available; and almost complete failure to popularize Soviet Power as opposed to bourgeois democracy.

The dangers in these weaknesses speak for themselves. We must learn to anticipate events, to prepare organizational steps in advance of major changes such as the new relief policy and to popularize these steps, to overcome every vestige of "leftist" contempt for, or evasion of work amongst politically confused masses such as provide grist to the fascist and social-fascist mill, to bring forward in all organizations the role of the Party and the revolutionary solution of the crisis through debates and sale of literature, to estimate concentration problems and assign forces on the basis of ability in each given territory with the view of advancing united front work from the various starting points up to crystallization of Labor Party support, and consistently to explain the limits of bourgeois democracy and the real democratic nature of Soviet Power (see In-Precor No. 21, 1935, p. 577 for excellent detail material showing what Soviet administration does mean.)

### \* Labor Party.

The united front is not an end in itself, but a means to the end of winning the majority for the revolutionary way out. The Labor

Party is a step along this revolutionary road. But in neither case can we hope to convince the masses by repetition of slogans. We must patiently explain, patiently distribute literature. We must remember the difference in political beliefs of the workers—not all are even now disillusioned with NRA, nor Coughlin, nor Huey Long, nor Roosevelt least of all. We must direct our agitation and propaganda with this in mind, and learn to adapt ourselves to these differences through relating each one carefully to our program as a whole. We must recognize that failure to continually advance the political level of the masses toward revolutionary conclusions means to open the way for their newly aroused anti-capitalist, anti-fascist consciousness to be played upon by skillful demagogues and led into disguised fascist paths.

### \* Vital Questions.

To conclude: Is it correct to say that the NRA has abandoned in order to advance a further step in a new manner along the road to fascism? Are the 1936 election developments suggested in this discussion article likely to occur, and are the present methods of work correct to prevent an overwhelming trend to fascism? Is Sinclair likely to turn his entire apparatus over to support Roosevelt, or will he retain organizational independence with a view to bargaining? How best can we expose the weaknesses of EITC at this stage of development? What is likely to happen to the unemployed movement when the new policy is applied? Is the present organization adequate to meet such changes? What determines the plan of work in a given territory? On what basis are individual assignments made by units? Does Roosevelt retain sufficient popularity to lead strategic masses along the fascist road?

## LUMBER STRIKE IN EUREKA SEES VIGILANTE RULE

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Both he and George Anderson, I.L.D. attorney of San Francisco, will defend the workers throughout the court proceedings. Elaine Black, in a statement issued Wednesday, called the court proceedings, "the worst railroad I have ever witnessed."

Police Judge Fraser limits Gallagher in his cross-examination of prosecution witnesses. The court reporter was discovered deliberately leaving out of the record vital parts of the testimony. When the first prosecution witness, Forest H. Hall, admitted he was a special police officer drawing his salary from the Holmes-Eureka Lumber Co., at whose plant the massacre of lumber pickets occurred, the workers present voiced furious indignation. Judge Fraser promptly had all spectators ejected and conducted the proceedings behind closed doors.

Further testimony developed that Edward Watkins, an 18-year-old scab had been deputized the morning of the attack and had been given a sub-machine gun for the affray. When he attempted to fire on the pickets the gun jammed.

### \* Many in Jail.

At present there are still 70 workers in jail, with about 80 bailed out. Two are dead, one more, Paul Lampella, shot in the head, is expected to die, and seven are injured, including a girl, who are to be held for rioting as soon as they leave the hospital.

In addition, a number of pickets, gassed and terribly sick, dare not seek medical care because they would be immediately arrested.

The raids of police and vigilantes continue, and strikers who refuse to return to work are being jailed on any charges that come handy.

Negotiations, backed by the I.L.D. and the S.T.W.U. are under way to set up a united front defense committee with organizations participating.

### \* Peterson Sell-Out.

Since A. H. Peterson (Pedro Pete), newly appointed international organizer of the International Longshoremen's Association, arrived here the Eureka Longshoremen have been sold out on their solidarity with the lumber strikers. The capitalist newspapers of Eureka gleefully announce the longshoremen will handle scab lumber, and ships are again loading on Humboldt Bay.

Meanwhile, Governor Merriam has ordered Company "I," 184th Infantry, Calif. National Guard, to "stand by," and the company is quartered in the armory in Eureka, ready for action against the workers.

The Western Worker can be obtained at news stands. If your news dealer does not have it, ask him to stock it.

## BUILD THE Western Worker ARMY

### Gain of 41 for Half Week Not Enough at Time when Employers Plan Offensive Against Unions

"Please renew my subscription. I have got to have the WORKER if it takes my last cent and my last crust." Thus writes J. M. from Battle Ground, Wash. That's the way most of the old readers feel about the WESTERN WORKER. There are plenty of workers who would feel the same way, if they had a chance to read a few issues. So it's up to us to get their subscriptions, and turn them into WESTERN WORKER boosters.

Since the last issue the subscription has grown by 41. This does not include bundle orders and newsstand sales. This is at the rate of about 80 a week, and is not nearly sufficient to reach our goal of 3500 new readers by Labor Day. The gain by sections follows:

Los Angeles	15
L. A. Section	4
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San Jose	3
Sacramento	2
San Mateo	2
Sonoma	1
Monterey	1
San Diego	1
Oregon	1
Santa Barbara	1
Contra Costa	1
Total	41

Contra Costa wears the dunce cap for this issue. But several other sections did very badly. Merced, Fresno, Tulare, Stockton, and Santa Barbara showed no change for the half week of

the larger cities, San Diego holds about the worst record for the past few weeks.

Monterey has increased its bundle order from 25 to 40. A larger bundle order, with more WESTERN WORKERS going out to the workers, should result in more subscriptions. We expect Monterey to turn in a flock of new readers shortly.

June is usually one of the worst months for most papers. And July is about as bad. This means that efforts must be redoubled to keep up the number of readers and win new ones. But that should be easy, because of the large number of issues, the truth about which will be found only in the WESTERN WORKER.

Perhaps you read the account of Fried's death which appeared in the afternoon papers. If you read the papers the next morning you got an entirely different account. And the Sunday S.F. Examiner, and the Los Angeles Times, printed conflicting stories. Where else could you learn the truth, except in the WESTERN WORKER?

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## ON THE LABOR DEFENSE FRONT

By Anita Whitney.

A letter from McNamara:

Dear Comrade Black:

Your June 10 letter, with greetings of solidarity and a pledge to carry on, had a kick of about four thousand horsepower.

The machine is the true friend of all humankind; just a short time yet and science will emancipate all toilers—IF WE HUSTLE WHILE WE WAIT.

I received yours from National Office, New York District, 13th District, Edith Berkman, Caroline, Lorine and Nora (via Margaret Wilson), L. A. Joint Board Cloak and Dressmakers' Union. I have heard of others. Will you look them up? Please thank the following from me:

Have Anita see all the locals in Seattle about Anna Louise Strong not being recognized before she left for China. It should be combined with the matter I took up with her.

A trip to Butte, Montana, will inspire her.

My all to all who produce.

Comradely,  
J. B. McNamara,  
25314.

This letter should be a reminder and an inspiration to all workers and sympathizers. The C. S. prisoners, at Tehachapi and San Quentin haven't received much word from the outside lately. Make it a point to write to one of the C. S. prisoners every week.

Write to the warden of San Quentin, protesting against this discrimination.

Another case of discrimination against political prisoners, that you should protest about, is Craney's banishment from the prison orchestra, even though he is admitted the best violinist there. Instead, they are wrecking his health in the jute mill.

### JULY 5th DEMONSTRATION

Members of the I.L.D. and all sympathizers: mobilize at 10 a.m. at the waterfront, under the I. L. D. banner, and march to commemorate the murder of two workers (one of them an I.L.D. mem-

### EUREKA ACCEPTS

On Thursday the 20th, (before the telegram was sent from the I.L.D. office) the Eureka strikers decided to accept the I. L. D. offer of assistance which was made by letter.

Workers and sympathizers write to Governor Merriam and to the Eureka District Attorney, protesting against the fascist terrorism prevailing there, demanding that it be stopped and that all strike prisoners be immediately and unconditionally released.

### I.L.D. PICNIC

Don't forget the I.L.D. picnic (the 6th annual) will be held on Sunday, July 14th. You can get transportation from the park off Grove Street, near Market, from 9 a. m. to noon. Tickets and information can be procured from the I. L. D. office (410), 1005 Market Street.

### EMPLOYERS TRY TO OUST I. L. A. LEADERSHIP

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by the shipowners at this time and the cooperation given the shipowners by Lewis and Ryan evidences the cooperation between employers and reactionary labor "leaders" to put Local 38-79 on the spot.

the waterfront unions have answered the employers' ultimatum by throwing a mass picket line around the ship. Longshore gangs refuse to go through the picket line as fast as they are sent from the hiring hall. Shipowners have declared gangs thus refusing to go through the lines

Mass Picket Line.

In the meantime the Point Clear is tied up. Members of are not to be given work at other docks.

The close and admitted relationship of Lewis and Peterson and their obvious cooperation in the recent moves against the longshoremen by the Industrial Association have caused many oldtimers on the waterfront to look back at 1919 when a similar situation existed. They point out that the shipowners then, as now, called on traitors in the ranks of the "Red Book" to "remove the

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WILL THE PARTY that heard the story in Hanford about the National Guard please write in to the Western Worker, giving name.

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radical leadership." \* Company Union.

Difference between then and now is that they talked to Bryan and Stein and the "Harmony Club." These traitors eventually broke the "Red Book," and formed the "Blue Book," a company union. Today they talk to Lewis and Ryan.

The shipowners' ultimatum is seen by many on the waterfront as an attack upon the "Bloody Thursday," July 5 demonstration when the entire waterfront and other San Francisco trade unions are planning a mighty demonstration against the Industrial Association and the employers who were responsible for the murder of waterfront workers during the 1934 strike.

All trade unionists are called upon to answer the latest threat of the employers to smash union labor by turning out in full force on July 5. Join your fellow trade unionists in a mighty demonstration against wage cuts and union wrecking campaigns by the bosses. The general sentiment along the front seems to be that "as far as the waterfront workers are concerned the scab-loaded Point Clear can stay there until she rots!"

A new pamphlet, "Hearst-Labor's Enemy No. 1," by James Casey, 3c. Read it, sell it to your neighbors, and help build the boycott.

### Who Benefitted Under "N.R.A."? What Does the New Skeleton "N.R.A." Mean?

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By Terry Casey.

An OLD TIMER is one who can remember when the G-men were going to capture Mahan within twenty-four hours.

Maybe when they get him they will have time to turn their attention to the Westhausers, who stole a fortune out of the sweat and blood of thousands of lumber workers.

But if they're looking for something to do they might chase up to Alaska and nap that . . . who is charging the double and triple prices for food to the drought victims in Matanuska valley.

These ex-Middle West farmers are now victims of a drought of common sense. As they face the rapidly approaching rainy season in small tents, without wells or houses, without enough food, or the tools or machinery to get started, it becomes clear that relief work is not local to the forty-eight states. When they ordered wagons, they got five tons of paper towels.

The crop reduction helped make the sandstorms that rendered them homeless. Now just by way of proving that they are still under the benevolent wing of the Washington stepfather, they will be asked to stand out in the snow storms this winter because no houses will be ready in time.

Instead of cursing the Blue Buzzer they are now cursing the Matanuska mosquitoes. And if you think that's funny, take the wife and the babies down to the nearest swamp you can find and spend a weekend.

#### BRIGHT SAYINGS OF CHILDREN

"There are those who condemn the capitalists and the capitalist system, but our people must realize that every person who saves a potato, owns a cow, a cook stove, a hammer or a pair of pants is a capitalist."

—Robt. G. Simmons.

#### JUDGING FROM HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Mr. Croll introduced the statute which made King George V the ward of the five little Dionne girls. Misprint in Literary Digest.

## AUGUST FIRST SET FOR ANTI-WAR PROTESTS

TWENTY-ONE YEARS SINCE WORLD WAR START SEES RENEWED WAR DANGER

SAN FRANCISCO, June 28.—On August 1, the twenty-first anniversary of the beginning of the World War, the Communist Party is calling for demonstrations throughout the world against war. Feeling that the war danger was never greater than at the present time, the Party realizes that the only way war can be prevented is by showing that the people are united in opposing all militarist moves.

#### Four Wars Under Way.

The present year has seen four wars under way, with still more serious wars threatened. The Panagay-Boldia War, which is now temporarily suspended, arose out of the rivalry between British and American oil interests. The Japanese invasion into China only failed to develop into a major war because China Kai Shuk sold out completely to the Japanese, in return for their support in his own war against the Chinese Soviet Republic. The Italy-Ethiopia War temporarily suspended, while Italy gathers its forces to prepare for an invasion in the fall when weather conditions are more favorable for fighting.

Still more dangerous than the wars now going on is the continued fascist propaganda drive directed against the Soviet Union. Germany is to be the main weapon and demand the Ukraine in return. Japan is the second leader, and wants Siberia and complete control over Asia.

#### The Coming War.

At present the main concern of these various countries is to build up their armies to prepare for the coming war. Increased armaments, lengthened terms of service, large fleets, and maneuvering for the advantage in armament races, characterize the present stage of war preparations.

Perhaps the most important sign of the belief in the near dangers of war is the drive for economic self-sufficiency. This takes two forms: heavy subsidies to build up war industries, and large imports of materials needed in war time. That is why, in such countries as Japan and Germany, imports of cotton, nonferrous metals, and rubber are at record figures, far exceeding peace time demands.



## AT THE MOVIES

RECOMMENDED ENTERTAINMENT—SCREEN AND STAGE

SAN FRANCISCO.—At the St. Francis, Crawford and Montgomery at it again in another sex film, "No More Ladies."

"The Man Who Knew Too Much," at the Embassy, British detective stuff. After the first twenty minutes pretty entertaining.

LOS ANGELES.—"Song of Happiness," Soviet film at the Filmarte, 7:15 and 9:15.

FLICKERS & FLASHBACKS "STRANDED," at the Paramount, features a strike on construction of the Bay Bridge. Ada Hamilton, Hearst's Examiner reviewer, says it's very much like "Black Fury" (because the rank-and-file leader turns out to be a rat). It is quite fitting that Kay Francis should play the girl. She's the clotheshorse who put on a leather coat in "British Agent" and secretariat for Lenin!

"DESERTER," Soviet film which played two nights at 121 Haight street, needs a few more titles and some editing. After these operations it would still not have the expert continuity and rhytm of "Chapayev" but it would be less trying in the dull spots. This picture excels in Pudovkin's best.

Your letters and questions on health and questions for subjects to be dealt with in this column will be answered if you just send them in. Address communications to this column, care of WESTERN WORKER, 37 Grove St., San Francisco.

H.H.J. ANSWER.—If a cigarette walks down a hallway lighting for a room in which a committee is meeting, it is a radical organization is taking place, he needs only to see the smaller and he will always find the room. Cigarette study is usually pouring from under the door.

Workers active in the movement do a great deal of smoking, probably because of the excitement and nervous strain under which they live. A small amount of smoking probably is not harmful, depending on the individual. However, constant smoking can do a great deal of harm.

Nicotine, the main drug in tobacco, is a deadly poison in its pure form. A rat dipped in nicotine and held in front of the nostrils of a mouse will kill it instantly. If taken into the body in frequent, small doses, such as a chain smoker does, it can cause a chronic poisoning.

The throat and bronchial tubes

## I.L.D. TO FIGHT DEPORTING OF JAMES BRANCH

TRADE UNION ACTIVITY EARNED ENMITY OF INDUSTRIAL ASS'N

SAN FRANCISCO, June 27.—The Labor Department has ordered the deportation of James Branch, director of the San Francisco Workers' School, on the alleged charge that he is a member of an "organization advocating the overthrow of the United States government by force and violence."

This decision follows the recommendation made by immigration authorities here after Branch was arrested last fall. The International Labor Defense will appeal the case to the Federal courts.

The decision is part of the government's drive to deport all foreign-born suspected of participating in political or labor activity distasteful to the Chamber of Commerce, Industrial Association, and other anti-labor groups.

Such activities started last summer at the time of the General Strike, when government officials openly cooperated with the Industrial Association interests and vigilante groups to lawlessly smash all headquarters of leftwing organizations. Attempts were made to deport all foreign-born per-

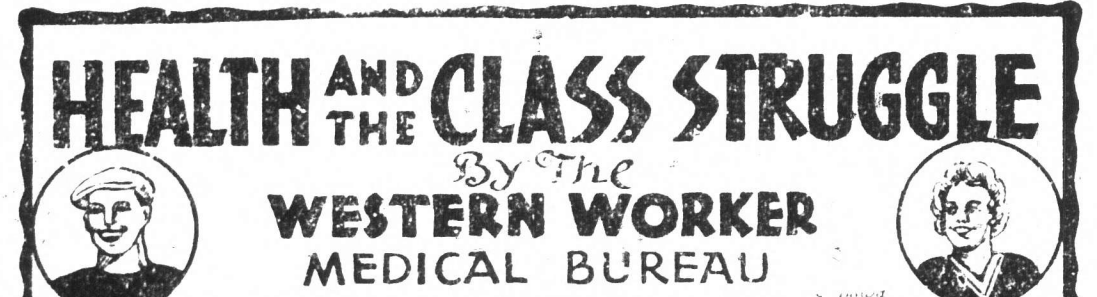
work with the camera. The strike scenes and fight scenes are first rate. "Deserter" ought to come back for a run.

Our Correspondent, B. W. writes concerning the Universal Newsreel of Roosevelt's bonus speech before Congress: "Flashes of veteran's firesides and family groups in sorrow . . . shots of doleful faces of horribly crippled vets . . . punctuated the sentences from F. D. R. Tacked on were some moanings from Coughlin and honey from Long. The arrangement and editing deliberately misinterpreted the speech." . . . March of time is teaching "em all how to make their own news."

"PEACE ON EARTH" played Saturday night to a hall packed with maritime workers at a benefit for the defense of the men framed in Modesto on dynamite charges. After five weeks of uninterrupted production the cast of the play is taking a rest for a week, following which we may expect a reopening.

"WAITING FOR LEFTY" is showing in Newark after protests poured in following the fascist raid on the cast by police on opening night.

Garrison Film Distributors of New York now have a local representative booking 16mm fireproof Soviet films.



become red and irritated, causing the so-called "biscuit cough." The stomach becomes upset with a loss of appetite, coated tongue, and bad breath. The nerves of the heart are very irritable, causing pounding of the heart and shortness of breath.

Even partial or total blindness is not uncommon, due to inflammation of the eye nerve.

The claims of cigarette manufacturers that certain brands do not irritate the throat as much as others, is probably correct. However, the actual damage is just the same, as these brands contain just as large percentage of nicotine.

There is no type of cigarette which will not "cut your wind." They all contain the nicotine, which does the harm.

Strong smokers should not stop completely at one time, but should reduce the number from day to day.

Fresno, Calif. I should like to see in your health column a brief dissertation on the safety of aluminum ware as used in cooking.

N.B. ANSWER: Acid foods do not attack aluminum ware at all. Alkali foods form slight combinations with aluminum, but they are perfectly harmless in the small amounts in which they occur.

Many people believe that emulsified, emulsified, water contain lead and there is danger of poisoning if a piece breaks off. However, there is no lead in the emulsion.

## CULINARY UNION OFFICIAL OUGHT TO ASK WORKERS

RANK AND FILE CAN TELL HIM WHY

By a Worker Correspondent SAN DIEGO, June 24.—H. J. McGovern, International representative of the Culinary Workers of the West Coast, said there was room for great improvements in the local situation of the two culinary workers' unions, 402 and 501. He wondered why there were no hotels unionized here, and what the State Convention was going to do when it is held here in September. He said he was staying here a few days, and will try to line up a hotel. He couldn't understand why union cards are given to San Diego restaurants when many of the restaurants are non-union. That is what many of the members of 402 can't understand either, Brother McGovern. But we suspect a very good reason, in the form of the present business agent, Steve Bott, who has dropped her monkey wrenches into every attempt to win better conditions, since she has been in office.

Placed of registration: Cultural Center, 230 S. Spring street, apt. 24, eve. 7-9; 2704 Brooklyn ave., apt. 24, eve. 7-9; 1116 Lillian way, eve. 7-9; I.W.O. office, 435 Douglas bldg., Third and Spring.

Everyone is invited to the grand opening of the camp on July 4.

sons found in them at that time. This terrorism against foreign-born workers must be fought by the united protests of the working class against deportation of foreign-born resident for their political or trade union activities.

# Terror Stalks Behind Eureka "Law and Order"

Lumber Workers Bury Dead and Prepare to Fight for Living As Mill Operators and Labor Fakers Plan New Campaign In Drive to Smash Rank and File Unions

By T. J.

We are heading for Eureka from San Francisco by auto on the beautiful winding, Redwood Highway. In Eureka police have fired into a picket line, killing and maiming striking lumber workers. The Eel River twists and squirms between great stately redwoods, whose foliage, high above the road, reaches for the starry sky. These redwoods are old, possibly the oldest of living things. Many were here when Columbus discovered America.

What a marvelous thought it is, that somewhere in the dim past, when the seeds first unfolded to start the skyward ascent of these giants among trees, it was already noted in the book of whoever kept the titles in those days, that these redwoods were to grow up the property of Pacific Lumber Co.; Hammond and Little; Holmes-Eureka and other lumber barons.

#### \* Vigilant!

And it must also have been known in those days that the men who toiled in these woods and at the mills where the huge trees are shaped into lumber, were to be shot down some day by the agents of the lumber barons for demanding the right to live.

Wegard rapidly interrupted from our reverie by lights flaring from the sides of the road ahead of us. A hundred silent men, stand behind a "Slow" sign on one of the side roads and one reading "sheriff" on the other. We slow up as the men block the road. They hold their hands up ominously. We stop. Not far ahead is the Pacific Lumber Co. town, Scotia.

#### What's the trouble?

The red scare has been raised. The newspapers in Eureka and elsewhere shriek in flaming headlines that red sympathizers by the thousands are marching on the town, from the North and the South. The red army is on the way. Sheriffs mobilize; vigilantes arm; the National Guard stands by.

"They shall not pass!" is the slogan.

But we don't look like reds, at least not the conception of reds held by these pickets of the employers. They see no sign of Stalin's heavy black mustache. Not a single bomb in sight. Not a knife held behind gleaming teeth. These people can't be reds. They

## CAMP, CENTERS FOR CHILDREN TO OPEN IN L. A.

FUNDS NEEDED TO CARRY ACTIVITIES THROUGH SUMMER

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—The success of the summer center and the children's camp, sponsored by the Federation of Children's Organizations, depends upon the full-hearted cooperation of the parents. Many parents do not yet clearly see that the "free" public school is the agent of the capitalist state, where teachers are now openly calling strikers "traitors and criminals," and scabs "heroes." Our own organizations must combat this poisonous, anti-labor propaganda.

That is the task of the five summer centers in Los Angeles, which will be open two days a week, the third day being devoted to outings, offering the following: Arts, crafts, singing and current events. The major struggle will be the "forcing of relief authorities to open summer lunch rooms for needy children and for sending undernourished children that we can't take care of in our own camp, to city camps. We ask the cooperation of all the neighboring organizations."

The summer camp will offer the following: Arts, crafts, projects, singing, drama, dancing, swimming current topics, etc. Only those children between the ages of 10 and 15, who have passed the physical examination, are eligible for the camp. The fee will be \$7 for the two weeks. "However, we realize that there are many children who cannot even pay this small sum. Therefore, we urge all sponsoring organizations to raise funds immediately to help such children. We must raise \$1000 by June 30."

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look too respectable. They wave us on. Not a word have they spoken. But guns bulging from hips and pickhandles in hands speak louder than words.

#### \* "Law Must Prevail".

An editorial heading on the front page of the Humboldt Standard in the lumber-baron-controlled town of Eureka tell the story.

"LAW AND ORDER MUST PREVAIL." Sure it must. Capitalist law and capitalist order. Yes, ladies and gentlemen of the jury, it is prevailing.

It is prevailing in the morgue, where lies the bullet-shattered body of the 62-year-old strike picket William Kaarte. Of course, the police only "shot at their feet"—but the bullet went through his throat.

It is prevailing in the city and county jails which are packed with strikers and sympathizers. It is prevailing in Hooverville where the measly hovels of the unemployed have been reduced to ashes by an enraged master class. Oh, yes. The authorities were very humane. They gave these people ninety minutes notice to leave the only shelter they had in the world.

It is prevailing in the hospital where lie the pain-racked bodies of other workers. "The two men near death were Harold Edlund, picket, shot through the side, and Paul Lampe Hat, picket, shot through the eye. Slight hope is held for their recovery." This is on the same page where it states "LAW AND ORDER MUST PREVAIL." If they die, it will only prove the point. (Harold Edlund has since died. Ed.)

Oh Nelson's leg was shattered so badly it may have to be amputated.

#### \* Workers Unarmed.

Yes, it is true that five police were injured, including Chief of Police Littlefield and Captain Tom Rutledge. But they are doing nicely, thank you, and even after they were injured at the time of the riot were able to make arrests and fire plenty of bullets and gas.

As usual in such affairs, the "reds" who were "making the revolution" were unarmed. Oh, pardon us, we almost forgot. While raiding a workers' hall "a small arsenal of guns, knives and clubs was obtained." The gentleman who wrote this forgot to add that the arsenal was stage props and a similar one could be found in the art museum.

And of course, there was proof of "direct connection with Soviet Russia." The police found a "colored certificate of thanks to the Friends of Soviet Russia, Eureka, Calif., signed by M. Kalinin, president of the Russian Socialist Federated Republic."

It is really too bad that this amazing discovery by the G-men was also signed by L. Kamenets, chairman of the All-Russian Central Finance Relief Committee and must have been sent to Eureka about 1921 at the time of the Russian famine, as an acknowledgment of help received from Eureka workers and sympathizers. Mr. Hearst may yet make good use of this document.

#### \* Peace—and Terror.

Eureka is quiet this Sunday morning. Everything seems so peaceful. Law and order are prevailing. Union halls are closed. Hooverville does not exist; the soup kitchen is no more. And ministers of the gospel are delivering beautiful sermons on law and order, against sin and for a better life as a preparation for death and a glorious hereafter.

And what do the Society Notes tell us? . . . Mr. and Mrs. Rollo Gulbridge led the march and ushered the guests of honor to a place in the dining hall where they were seated at the table beneath a parasol garlanded with roses and other beautiful flowers. About 70 persons enjoyed a delightful repast and extended greetings and good wishes . . .

#### \* Labor Skates.

But things are not as peaceful as they seem. "Scabby" Peterson and other labor fakery are hovering around like vultures, poisoning the minds of honest workers against the "reds" so that it will be easier to sell out the union.

The workers are not licked. They are never licked. Labor, like "truth crushed to earth" always rises again. True, they are surprised; disappointed, disillusioned. Another old myth has been smashed for these workers who never heard of Lenin's "State and Revolution" or the "Communist Manifesto." They thought all along that the police and sheriff were their friends. This illusion was shot to hell on the picket line Friday morning, June 21.

The workers are reforming their ranks. Workers and sympathizers are coming forward with bail. Willford militant young president of the Union is out on bail. Many others are also bailed out. They are forming a defense committee, assisted by the International Labor Defense and their attorneys, Leo Gallagher and Geo. Anderson.

The workers are making preparations to bury their dead—and to carry on the fight for the victory of the living.

## Workers to Be Told How to Be Healthy Though on Relief

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—Bitter humor is seen in the announcement of the Los Angeles Council of Social Agencies that they are starting an informative campaign to "acquaint indigents of available health services and so raise the general level of bodily and mental fitness."

Dr. Glenn E. Myers, chairman said yesterday, arrangements have been made with the Community Chest speakers' bureau to present the situation before churches, clubs, lodges, societies and other organized groups.

Dr. Myers admits that one of the objectives of these speeches will be to war against an increasing tendency to mental illness, caused by unfavorable economic conditions. The therapeutic value of speeches upon absentee patients will not be tested out.



NEW PAMPHLETS RECEIVED.  
Religion and Communism, by Earl Browder—24 pp—3c.  
The Supreme Court's Challenge to Labor, by Wm. F. Dunne—24 pp—3c.  
War in Africa, by James W. Ford and Harry Gannes—32 pp—5 cents.  
The Telephone and Telegraph Workers, by Hy Krawit—32 pp—5 cents.  
Company Unions Today, by Robert W. Dunne—32 pp—5c.

By Lou McLean.

Crocodile, by K. Chukovsky, J. P. Lippincott Co., 31 pp., \$1.50.

A children's story with the original illustrations in black and white, translated by Babette Deutsch. It tells in silly and charming verse about a crocodile who, having swallowed a policeman and a dog, was forced to spit them up by a brave little boy "who walked around with a nurse."

So the crocodile went back to the jungle and organized an expedition of animals to march back to save their brothers in the zoo. But once again he is routed by the brave Vanya who, on learning what they are trying to do, goes to their aid and smashes the zoo cages.

After all this the animals and humans live in harmony together ever after. The illustrations are delightful and the verses are good—though one definitely is conscious they have been translated. There is an occasional awkwardness in the rhythm. However, I read them to a child, who thought they were wonderful.

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Fatherland by Karl Billinger. Farrar and Rinehart, 270 pp. with forward by Lincoln Steffens.

There were two things which impressed me deeply when I read this splendid book. The first was the absolute sincerity and tremendous restraint exercised by the author. The second was his complete ability to immerse the reader in the action, to make him so much a part of all that is happening, that it is with a distinct sense of shock one is able to pull oneself away from the book to discover oneself in a chair.

Here is a portrait of Germany today. Here is a picture of Fascism, what it does to its thinking people; what it does with its pronouncements; how it kills the hope it has raised on its way to power (those last desperate hopes which made possible its power). All this is told quietly—without hysteria.

The story is done in the first person by a Communist Party member who is fully conscious of all that is happening and why, and goes indomitably on, working constructively under conditions horrible to contemplate, and who, after his ultimate release from a concentration camp, goes back to underground Party work.

Much of the power of the book lies in the fact that the reader is made to feel that this man is one of many—representative of a class and a power that one day no longer will be beaten, starved and killed into apparent submission. Everyone should read Fatherland. Everyone should know what this section of historical phenomena will do to him—if he does not work to stop it. Buy, beg or borrow it—you won't have to be told to recommend it!

Hearts, Labor's Enemy No. 1—by James Casey; Workers' Library Publishers; 23 pp., 3cents.

For three cents (and that is far more than Hearst is worth as a producer of the nation's wealth) we now can read the how and the why of America's biggest rat.

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The expose of Hearst in this little pamphlet is as damning as truth can be. And Hearst lives daily in deadly fear that the working class will learn the truth about him. That's why, in the files of the Hearst newspaper offices you can find one single item describing his degenerate personal life.

The San Francisco Examiner's circulation manager quit after Hearst had published his fascist phrase: "The capitalists are the brains of the body, the workers are the feet." Hearst lost nearly one hundred thousand circulation that time and the manager could not hope to recover the loss.

James Casey, who was once an editor on the New York Times, is City editor of the Daily Worker. He knows Hearst.

This pamphlet is a weapon—just as the Hearst boycott is a weapon, against this monster who eats, sleeps and walks in a fantastic nightmare kingdom where Hearst is king and the workers are less than slaves. Boycott putrid Hearst publications and give this pamphlet to your friends so they will learn to know Labor's Enemy No. 1 as he really is.

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## NOT WORK BUT SLAVERY

The whole tone of the new Roosevelt relief policy is one of an offensive drive against the unemployed. An uninformed person reading the capitalist press accounts of the program would gather that somewhere back in 1929 and 1930, millions of people suddenly were overcome with laziness, quit their jobs and demanded that the government support them. The tone would further imply that these millions have lounged in enviable and expensive leisure up to the present time and that the government is now going to drive them back to work with the whip of starvation.

The plain and complete fact is that relief quotas are to be reduced throughout the country.

In order to give it a separate flavor from the numerous "end the depression" and "back to work" schemes that preceded it, the present plan is called a "Work Program" instead of a "Relief Program."

The immediate question is, "What work are they going to do and what are they going to be paid?" Above all, are they going to get union rates of pay?

They are not.

They are to draw so-called "wages" which are below the present standard of relief. And they are to perform work that should rightfully be accomplished by hiring union men. The effect upon wages in regular industry is obvious.

If roads are to be built, forests cleared, streets repaired, or any other type of labor performed, why should the men not be paid standard rates of pay? Why should the men be expected to perform this work for a subsistence minimum just because they are "unemployed?"

If a man refuses this work, he will be cut off relief and forced into starvation.

His own labor power is all that a worker has to sell. Only by bargaining collectively can he get a fair price for it. The new Roosevelt policy decrees that the worker will be forced to sell this labor power for an absolute minimum price.

During the brief and hypocritical flight of the Blue Eagle, there was incessant cowering from merchants to the effect that the N.R.A. dictated at what price they had to sell their goods and this was un-American.

How about dictating to the worker at what price he shall sell his abilities?

## SOMETHING MUST BE DONE ABOUT HEARST

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plete in itself, but as the most advanced expression of capitalism in America. When you boycott Hearst you are slapping your hand over the mouths of all the millionaires in the country.

By concentrating on Hearst, we do not mean to exonerate the rest of the capitalist papers which are equally treacherous in their own way. But Hearst is the leader, the outstanding example, the symbol of what they all stand for.

Begin today. Don't buy another copy of a Hearst paper. Convince your neighbors to join the boycott. Organize Hearst boycotts in your neighborhood. Inform local merchants that your organization will refuse to patronize any firm advertising in Hearst papers.

Have your union local pass a Hearst boycott resolution and circulate Hearst advertisers. Warn them that union labor will not patronize them. If they continue advertising, put them on the blacklist.

The Hearst papers are an insult to all organized labor. Are you going to take it? If you do, you can expect another wage cut.

## STATE TROOPS USED AGAINST WASH. STRIKERS

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back up the lumber strike and force recall of the troops.

The reactionary and timid labor leaders on the Tacoma Central Labor Council met twice on Monday, June 24, the day the troops began attacks on the workers to "disperse the situation." But they failed to deal with the subject of a general strike or any other militant action. Instead they have made a ridiculous appeal to the Federal Government for Federal troops to prevent the State troops and city police from "from creating a reign of terror and outrage in the city of Tacoma."

## \* Sell-Out Move.

Yesterday Madame Perkins, Secretary of Labor, appointed a mediation board of three to follow up the activities of the armed forces and put over an arbitration agreement as soon as possible. Senator Bone, of Wash., has suggested to Governor Martin, Wash., that an armistice in the strike be arranged while strikers vote in special elections on the demands they have fought for so tenaciously.

A number of mills in Tacoma have skeleton crews working in the yards, but no steam up, merely a resture. The scabs, who en-

## Report Reveals Low Earnings in Homework Trades

WASHINGTON, June 24.—A report by the Department of Labor on homework in 24 industries scattered throughout the U. S. concluded that: "Earnings are extremely low, inhumanly long hours are still permitted, and child labor is still prevalent in the homework industries where children can profitably be employed."

The majority of workers earn less than 10c an hour, 18c earned less than 5c an hour, and only 5c earned 35c an hour—the minimum set up by the NRA code. Half the families earned less than \$3 weekly, and only 6c received \$13 weekly, the code minimum for a single worker. About 25% of the workers devoted 50 hours or more to the work.

tered the mills got through the picket lines only after National Guardsmen had gassed the workers and driven them off at the point of the bayonet. Many scabs didn't get through.

Governor Martin of Oregon is offering "protection" of troops to Oregon mills which wish to try to reopen.

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## Russia Through A Porthole

By Mrs. I. M. RATT  
(As told to Stephen Peacock)

Yes, I also have been to the Bolshevik paradise. I went over there weighing 130 pounds, and came back after the Five Year Plan weighing 17 lbs. 3 ounces.

There is only one word to describe Russia—HUNGER.

There is only one addition left to the poor Russian people—to FEAR.

And let me make it clear that I love the Russian people and that I was a Communist before I went to Russia. I was a Communist until I reached the Soviet border and saw a sign which proved immediately that there was no liberty in that country: "WORK OR STARVE." Neither Mr. Ratt nor I ever recovered from the shock.

## \* Educated to Understand.

I was particularly well qualified to understand and sympathized with the proletariat in Russia. I graduated from Snellville College, where I majored in Greek. I secured my master's degree by a remarkable series that I wrote on crossword puzzles. I also learned Latin by studying the bottles in my uncle's drug store.

My sympathy for Russia was aroused by reading the fine books and articles by Emma Goldman, Will Durant, Matthew Woll, Wilhe Hearst and Princess Kockavich. I even studied Yiddish so that I could read the real truth about Russia in the inspired Jewish Daily Forward, where Hearst found Mr. Lang, another great authority on Russia.

## \* Tragedy in Russia.

Is my face red. Before I went to Russia I told all my friends how soft it was over there for everybody. Imagine my embarrassment when I came back after a few weeks traveling in a droschky. My tonsils were sprained. I busted four stitches in my operation and I had to eat standing up.

Wherever you go in Russia there is tragedy. Take what happened when I first arrived in Moscow. One of my companions on the trip to Russia was a big, fat, Russian. He had gotten fat working for good old Henry Ford in Detroit. Then he was laid off, and good old Uncle Sam took care of him—he got still fatter when he went on relief.

Anyhow, when we got to Moscow, he was met at the station by his starving family. They were so hungry that his daughter Sonya rushed up and bit a huge chunk right out of his leg; his little son Boris gnawed off his thumb, while his wife Masha chewed off his ear.

And imagine my feelings at the same railroad station in Moscow. I hired a porter to carry my luggage. He walked about three feet, gasped "Khléb," "Khléb," (Bread, Bread) and with a horrible wheeze dropped dead from hunger right on my bunions.

## \* Soviet Culture.

You can't even take off your shoes at night in the Soviet Union because some one may take a bite at your toes. Before going to bed, I used to put on steel-tipped overshoes with a padlock to protect my toes from a starving population. And dangerous! Why, going from Minsk to Pinsk, the engineer of the locomotive disappeared. IT WAS DISCOVERED THAT HE HAD BEEN EATEN BY THE FIREMAN.

And behold! In Russia even the bedlams are aware of the famine which was concealed by the Commissars from a foolish and glib world until Mr. Hearst got on the job. The bedlams in Russia are as big as tadpoles. And they are smart. Knowing that there is no nourishment in the carcasses of the starving Russians, they hang around hotel registers to learn the room number of foreigners.

Soviet authorities often brag about how they brought relief to the backward people, how they even invented alphabet for people who didn't have any.

Yes, with diabolical cunning, they have taught bedlams to read hotel registers. AND THIS IS CULTURE UNDER THE SOVIETS!

## \* Battle Over Borsh.

As I said before, there is absolutely no food in Russia, and what there is, is terrible. Take the soup, better known as borsh. Borsh is a national dish, made chiefly out of cabbage, with other vegetables, and sometimes meat. At least, that's how it used to be made, before the Bolsheviks got into power. But you ought to eat the borsh now, after the Five Year Plan.

I ordered some borsh at the town of Pterzel. It is true that a couple of anemic cabbage leaves floated on top. But when I dug deeply into the soup, imagine what I found at the bottom. A BALL OF BARBED WIRE, A HORSE'S BLADDER, AND A FOUNTAIN SPRINGER! I didn't mind the bladder, but I am positively not accustomed to eating fountain springs. I would rather die, but the starving Russians, poor, poor people, are not so particular.

When I left that borsh, hundreds of starving people who were standing around got into a terrible battle as to who would eat the spring. THEN THE BUREAUCRATS, WHO THEMSELVES EAT STEAK, CAVIAR, AND CHOCOLATE ECCLAIRES FIVE TIMES A DAY CALLED OUT THE MURDEROUS G. P. U. WHO ARE ALL BIG AND FAT AND HAVE ON THEIR CAFTANS FIVE-POINTED STARS SET WITH DIAMONDS. SHOT ABOUT A HUNDRED OF THESE STARVING WRETCHES, AND THE COMMUNISTS, THE WORKING CLASS, THE POOR PEOPLE, WHO ARE ALSO ALL BIG AND FAT, STOOD AROUND WITH TOOTH PICKS IN THEIR MOUTHS. LAUGHING. HA, HA, HA! SO THIS IS DEMOCRACY UNDER THE RULE OF THE SOVIETS!

## \* Poor Kishka.

I visited a family in Zizhni, where I stayed for a couple of days. They had a beautiful pet in the family, a cute little polecat that they called Kishka. How they all loved and adored dear little Kishka.

But tragedy befell the family. Oh, what a tragedy! And it was all the fault of these Bolsheviks who manufacture hunger even as Carter makes liver pills.

One night I came home and found some stew on the table, the first stew they had had since the revolution. Everyone should have rejoiced at this great treat. But no. Tears rolled down the cheeks of the family. And I found out why the next morning when

poor, dear little Kishka failed to show up for breakfast. AND I MYSELF, UNDER THE LASH OF THE PROLETARIAT HAD HELPED TO EAT POOR, INNOCENT LITTLE KISHKA! No wonder I (pardon me) had had all the way from Zizhni to Zizhni.

## \* Children Eat Horse.

On another occasion I was traveling in a droschky down the Nysky when suddenly swarms of starving, ferocious children rushed out of their caves. They attacked our horse, tore him limb from limb, and ate him raw! The driver didn't have strength enough to resist. "What can I do," he wailed. "We are starving, everybody is starving."

He waited until they were filled up and then begged the children to save him the horse's tail. That night, his family of fifteen had their first square meal since the Revolution, consisting of brains, horsehead with horse-radish sauce. AND THIS IS THE BENEFICENT RULE OF THE PROLETARIAT!

## \* A Lesson For Us Americans.

After reading about these harrowing experiences, nobody will be surprised when I say that I was glad to return to good old Eureka, in good old U. S. A., where everything is so peaceful and everybody is so prosperous. Aren't you glad to be in this free country instead of under the thumb of that dreadful Stalin? And don't you think that you ought to thank Mr. Hearst for being brave enough to tell the truth?

(In the next Russian article Mr. Peacock will report the truth of his own personal investigation in the Soviet Union. Editor.)

## Jobless Jottings

Unemployed, tighten your belts, build your unemployed unions, double and redouble your grievance committees, get ready to fight or go hungry, for Roosevelt talks of imposing heavier taxes on the rich for restricting incomes by very high taxes. A smoke screen of demagoguery to cover a program of wage cuts and tamper.

Houdini, master of magicians, could he rise from the tomb would be amazed, would gaze with envy upon this gigantic illusion, this monstrous slight of hand. But Mr. Roosevelt, we the unemployed have seen you perform the trick before, so you will pardon us for walking out in the middle of the act.

AAA's, CCC's, CWA's, FERA's, Blue Eagles, Fire side chats, newspaper print, radio speeches, messages to congress, at the end of a session about sharing the wealth, still the rich grow richer, while we huddle in rags, in want and misery. We are the forgotten, "forgotten men" but WE HAVE NOT FORGOTTEN.

A secret fund of thirty thousand dollars was allotted to the police department last year. Ma-

## OPEN FORUM

## PRAISE

Salinas, Calif.,  
June 22, 1935.

Comrades:

I read your last issue and was particularly interested in the first editorial on the sixth page. If there are any more calls for the editorial to be written separately I would like to have you send me fifty of them C.O.D.

Yours Comradely  
B. R.

## CRITICISM

San Francisco,  
June 18, 1935

Editor Western Worker:

I would like to offer some helpful criticism on some of the news of the workers' struggles which you publish.

For instance about the relief situation in Chicago. After a number of issues in which you tell all about the situation, all at once you stop writing about it and I don't know whether they won or not.

I cannot make propaganda out of some of your articles to others as just when I begin to tell workers about what's happening, they begin to get interested, you stop writing about the particular situation. I believe you should finish anything you start. (This is my criticism.)

Yours truly,

A sympathizer and subscriber to your paper  
B. W.

## ANOTHER RED-BAITER

Redondo Beach, Calif.,  
June 23, 1935

Western Worker Editor:

The Four Cycles Incorporated, an off-shoot of the Uopian Society, is sworn to avoid political discussion. But McDougall, a visiting member speaker, in his "denunciation" of capitalism, the kept press and the schools, called to mind different political parties, as well as several so-called working class organizations. Mention of the courageous Communist Party was avoided.

After divulging a plan for uniting organizations similar to the United Front he adopted the terms of the yellow press against our United Front. He shouted that "it was good enough for other countries" but that "we Americans don't need the imported stuff." He even likened the devoted Stalin to Mussolini and Hitler.

When his wrath had subsided I again got the floor to show the fallacy of trying to organize within the bounds of a nation. I pointed out that the capitalists were organizing internationally. But the word "Communism" was too much for the chairman, Mr. Brown, who brought down his axel and said, "Please be seated!" and "We cannot bring politics into our discussion."

Comradely,  
J. M.

## TERROR IN EUREKA

Eureka, Calif.,  
June 24, 1935.

Dear Sir:

In regard to the affair which happened in this so-called town of Eureka a few days ago where men were killed in the streets for fighting for a chance to live. That was bad enough but when it comes to attacking a few helpless men who had absolutely nothing to do with the strike, it's worse.

The "Jungles" were visited by a bunch of so-called officers of the law, firemen from Eureka and also the American Legion, the men were given five minutes to get their stuff and then they were burned out.

I know for a fact that some of the men were working for the SERRA at the time and came home to find their only place of shelter burned to the ground.

I am a resident of this town but I am forced to admit after what happened I am ashamed. If this was American justice in the name of God what is injustice?

A Friend.

yor Shaw and Chief Davis are urging at the present time that this year's allotment be increased to ninety thousand dollars. Their excuse, "Necessity for policing beer parlors."

But ask a union man what he thinks and he will tell you that it is common knowledge the major portion of this fund has no connection with "policing beer parlors" but goes toward the breaking of strikes, disrupting of working class organizations, and to pay the "rats," stool pigeons and "finks" working under "Culture" Luke Lane of the notorious and infamous "red squad".....

Relief authorities propose to force strikers off the picket line, on to other jobs, or deny them relief.....

Public Works Unemployed League, and members of the American Federation of Labor, are you going to allow this to happen?...

With

## Field Quarters

By Sam Darcy

## Of Personal Interest.

Anita Whitney's birthday falls on July 7. She is without doubt one of the great personalities of our time. At 68 she is now on a vigorous tour of Oregon and Washington on behalf of the Sacramento and Portland prisoners. Congressman Shoemaker has left Southern California to go back to the Twin Cities. He quit trying to build a Farmer-Labor Party in Minnesota because too many people whom he thought he could use in Los Angeles, wanted the Communists in such a party. Lincoln Steffins has begun the third volume of his autobiography. It ought to be a remarkable document—the conclusions of a brilliant writer's life experience.

What happened to Paul Davis, the S. F. relief director who was going to clean out the Communists, got caught in a mess of graft, and is now himself cleaned out? The ridiculousness of Scharrenberg's letter blaming his expulsion on a "plot hatched by Stalin in Moscow" is evident from the fact that all officials of labor unions "other workers' organizations" Scharrenberg alone was chosen to be a guest at the opening of the consulate in San Francisco. He attended. If the consulate out of diplomatic politeness must invite official trade union representatives, Scharrenberg and such fakers are not worthy.

## The Next President.

The Los Angeles Times (June 15) carries an article boosting J. Edgar Hoover as a leading candidate to replace Roosevelt. Hoover is the man being built up as the great suppresser of kidnapping and crime. Does that not remind you of the way Mussolini was publicized as the suppresser of the Mafia? The Mafia is yet functioning and so will other criminals, as long as capitalism which gave birth to them exists. The picture of the "strong-man" J. Edgar Hoover appeals to the fascist owners of the L. A. Times who are looking for a man with an iron fist as their candidate for a U. S. fascist dictator.

This explains why, in the last year, there was so much hero bunk spilled about the Green. They will make a nice private army for Mr. J. Edgar Hoover should he become candidate for the Hitler role in the United States.

The Republicans have Hoovers as leading candidates—the Democrats three Roosevelts (Franklin Delano, young Theodore and Franklin's cousin who is assistant secretary in the Navy Department). It couldn't be dynasties?

## Notes of a Labor Organizer.

The 37 students who are graduating from a one month's full time intensive training in the Communist Party district training school at San Francisco this week should make a whole of an improvement in the state of working class organization in California. Have you written to our comrades in San Quentin? Albert Hougardy, Pat Chambers, Jack Crane and Martin Wilson are there with Tom Mooney and J. B. McNamara. Write them. You can little realize how much a friendly letter means to a prisoner. And remember that they have an official censor especially assigned to "mail addressed to the Reds." The words "frameup," "Communist," and "San Quentin prison" are verboten. Arthur Caylor (S. F. News Whirligig) reports a conciliatory attitude by the shipowners and predicts no strike this fall for the maritime workers. The maritime workers shouldn't be fooled. The shipowners are already trying to prepare the population for their frontal assault on the seamen and stevedores with full-paid advertisements in the press. July 5 will be a preliminary test. If the Maritime Federation can show the active support of the rest of the organized workers the shipowners may have the good sense (for themselves) to lay off. If they think they have the longshoremen isolated, especially in the Frisco port, a bitter struggle is ahead. So, all out to make July 5 a great success. Sinclair's book is out and it's a flop. It is full of roading to Roosevelt. \$3500 worth of Communist literature is bought in California every month. The largest single item in the purchases are pamphlets costing less than 10c. We could double those sales if you would help.

## Class War on Earth.

Those moves to crack down on the San Francisco Theater Guild production of "Peace on Earth" started with a report made by Pat Silberstein, member of the American Legion "subversive" committee (an outfit of voluntary stoolpigeons). Silberstein is being paid, however. By his own confession he holds some supplies contracts for the CCC and army camps. It is definitely known that he has connections with the Department of Justice. He pretends to friendship towards workers' organizations as a means of getting information.

Silberstein's report was sent to Hearst's strike-breaking attorney, Neylan. He recommended that fire-laws and similar obstacles be thrown in the way of continuing the production. In his reports he tells of his visit to the play and of his discussions with a certain woman secretary of a well known labor organization at the show. We hope that in the future honest workers will have sense enough to keep away from such people. There is nothing clever in engaging in conversations with shady characters.

Neylan found a better way to hinder "Peace on Earth." He used the weapon of hunger by having one of its moving spirits fired off the relief rolls. You can defeat Neylan and the Legion by attending the show—which incidentally is very good education as well as entertainment.

## \$195,000 FROM COUNTY HELPS BIG BUSINESS

## CHAMBER OF COMMERCE GETS NICE SUBSIDY

LOS ANGELES, June 27.—This year's subsidy of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce from County funds will amount to \$195,000. This, according to W. J. Braunschweiger, will represent a "saving" to the county of \$14,000. Last year the subsidy amounted to \$209,000.

Braunschweiger hastens to explain that less money is needed this year because of reductions in the payrolls of the Chamber of Commerce staff.

The subsidizing of this private agency of big business by the county should clearly point to the close alliance between government and big business.

With these huge appropriations of county money the chamber is able to wage strong fights against organized labor and the unemployed, as for instance in the current agricultural wage hearings. County money is used to hammer down living standards and wages of workers throughout the county, thanks to the kind services of the county supervisors.

## L. A. Women Carry Free Lunch War To P.T.A. Heads

## WORKING WOMEN DEMAND MILK FOR CHILDREN

LOS ANGELES, June 24.—When Los Angeles working women militantly demanded that school children be given free lunches and milk during the summer vacation months, Mrs. L. S. Rounsaville, president of the Los Angeles Parent-Teacher Association was forced to come out in favor of the proposition.

But the giving of lip service to the demands of the working women seems to be the length to which the P.T.A. officials are willing to go. Mrs. Rounsaville declares the organization's treasury is depleted and that "the board of education cannot legally divert taxpayers' money to charity, no matter how worthy."

The same Mrs. Rounsaville is a member of the Board of Education and a few weeks ago denounced the unemployed as "drunkards or worse." Her vicious attack echoed by Mrs. Aubrey E. Austin, executive director of child welfare for the P.T.A. who says that money given to parents has not "been spent as intended."